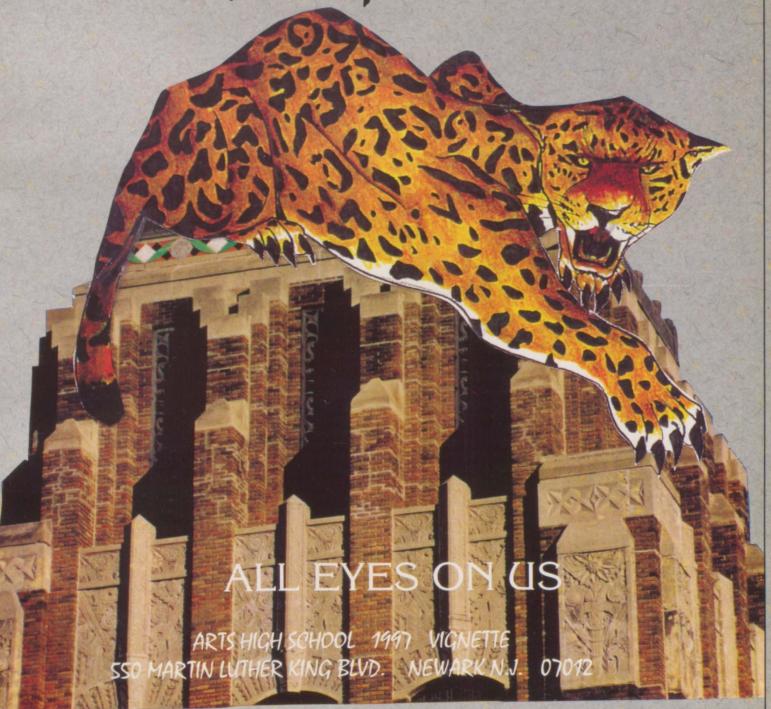




# ARTS HIGH SCHOOL 97 JAGUARS



### Gazing At The Class Of 1997

"All eyes on us," thats what they say as they leave Arts High School. They take with them an abundance of talent. The Class Of 1997 is in the zone. Watch them strut their stuff. Drama, Art, Music, and Dance, This group excels in all. Theirschool years were spent honing their talents and shaping their skills. They truly are ready, willing and able to meet the challenges that await them . The Arts High School Class of 1997 has made a commitment to pursue a goal of excellence. Watch this class as it finds its niche in this world. Watch them display talents of leadership skills and strengths of character. They will astound you. It is of little wonder that they say "All Eyes On Us" and they know they will do Arts High School and themselves proud.



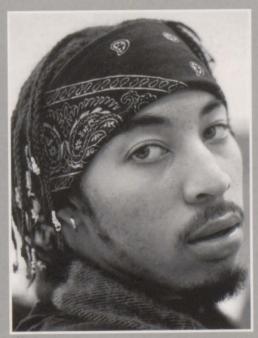




Bottom Left: Danille and her art work.

Middle:Jameica is getting organized in class. Top Right:Juan is complaining about the school lunch.





Top Left: Ah! Look at Antwon's cute face.

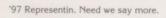
This is what we do everyday.







Adalis and Aidah are singing into slumber.







## Observing Our Annual Jammie Jam!

On October 18, 1996, the Seniors participated in the traditional Pajama Day. It was the time to take off our school clothes and put on our best jammies. The girls displayed from cozy pajamas to sexy lingerie. The guys wore designer boxers from Nautica to Tommy Hilfiger. We had mad fun taking pictures and acting silly for the camera. Some even danced on the Soul Train Line. We will never forget our day of sleepwear mainly because we got banned from eating in the Upper Dining Hall. We feel that Ms. Caldwell was unfair but we enjoyed our day.

Jocelyn Martinez

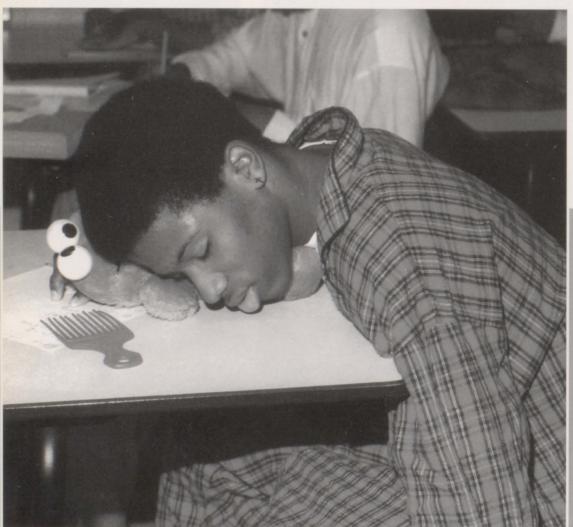






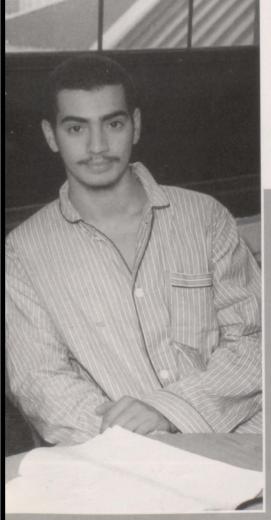
Jocelyn and Lydia are comfortable and cool.

Yondale is getting the best out of Pajama Day.









### Recapturing Pajama Day.





Andrea Henry saying: Go get my scotch and water, and don't forget my cigarettes. Having fun Tashaya and Damarius.

Shanell Lee saying: "I stand strong in my spot".

Stnley Hannah and Antionne Cleveland as "Fat Albert and Gary Coleman"







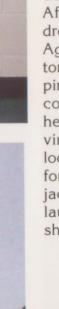


presenting the Liquor Store Crew:Andrea Henry, Kimbreya Broughton. Sitting:David Warren, and Tynisha Jones

The class of 97 going out to disco.







## Visualizing The Sixties and Seventies

Flashback Day is a tradition in which seniors wear clothes from the past. All eyes were on the class of 97 as underclassmen stared. Seniors were getting down with their groovey outfits on flashback day. Afros everywhere, bell bottoms here and there. Some students dressed in 70's clothes, but Terri and Rhea went way back to the Stone Ages. Andrea Henry was a classic chic stylin' her afro and bell bottoms. Milagros looked like a flapper. Dwayne was gettin' paid as a pimp. Vivian, Damarius, and Tynisha could glow in the dark with their colorful clothes. All fellows stared at Marijoe and Alnisa with their heels and sexy strides. Sanura was the most innocent senior with her vintage purse and dress, and ready for church. We all know who looked like Reerun from "What's Happening". Right seniors? Let's not forget Maybel (Yolanda) tryin' to be down with her clogs and leather jacket. Al Capone showed up with his automatic rifle. All seniors were laughin' at each other and stylin' in the hallways. The class of '97 showed how way back they can go on flashback.

## Shades Of The Past.









(Top left) Pimp Daddy Dwane and his women. (Below) The Flash Black Click (Center) We got the fake Mafia crew with Barnyard Robert in the Mix.

(Center)We can't forget bad wig havin', fox fur coat wearn' Iris. (left) Oh No! We got Big Tunky in the house!!







Here we have Terri and Rhea who went so far back that they came as Willma and Betty. Yabba Dabba Doo!!!

Below: Unsolved Mysteries. - Tashaya Porter, Damaris Rivas

Top Right: Suddenly Seeking Susan. - Dwane Harri

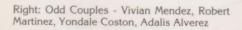
Below: New York Undercover. - Danielle Scott, Shareefa Hargrove















### Paper View

Switch Day was like no ordinary day. It presented an opportunity for the students to dress as if they were of the opposite sex. Little comfort was provided, but insight was profound. They discovered how garments formed paths one would take whether a kiss on the cheek or a hand to shake.

Prejudices were brought to light, and students learned how it felt to dress like another a sister not a sister, a brother not a brother.







Top left: Dwane Harris, Yolanda Sanders. Top right: Felicia Burroughs, Yolanda Douglas. Bottom: Stanley Hannah, Marijoe Ashikwel, Shannon Hansford, Yolanda Douglas, Girard Morris, Simeon Tudor, Hakeem Peterson



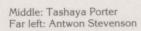
Damaris and Vivian. The Blues Brothers.



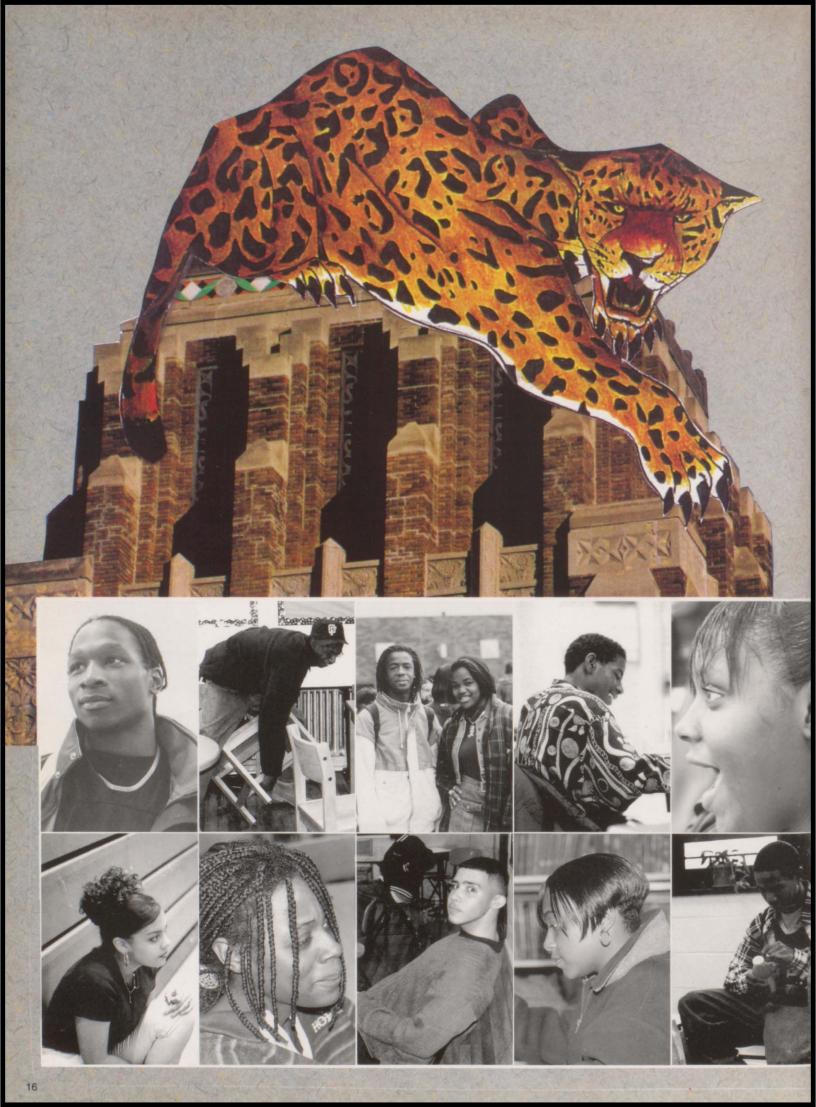
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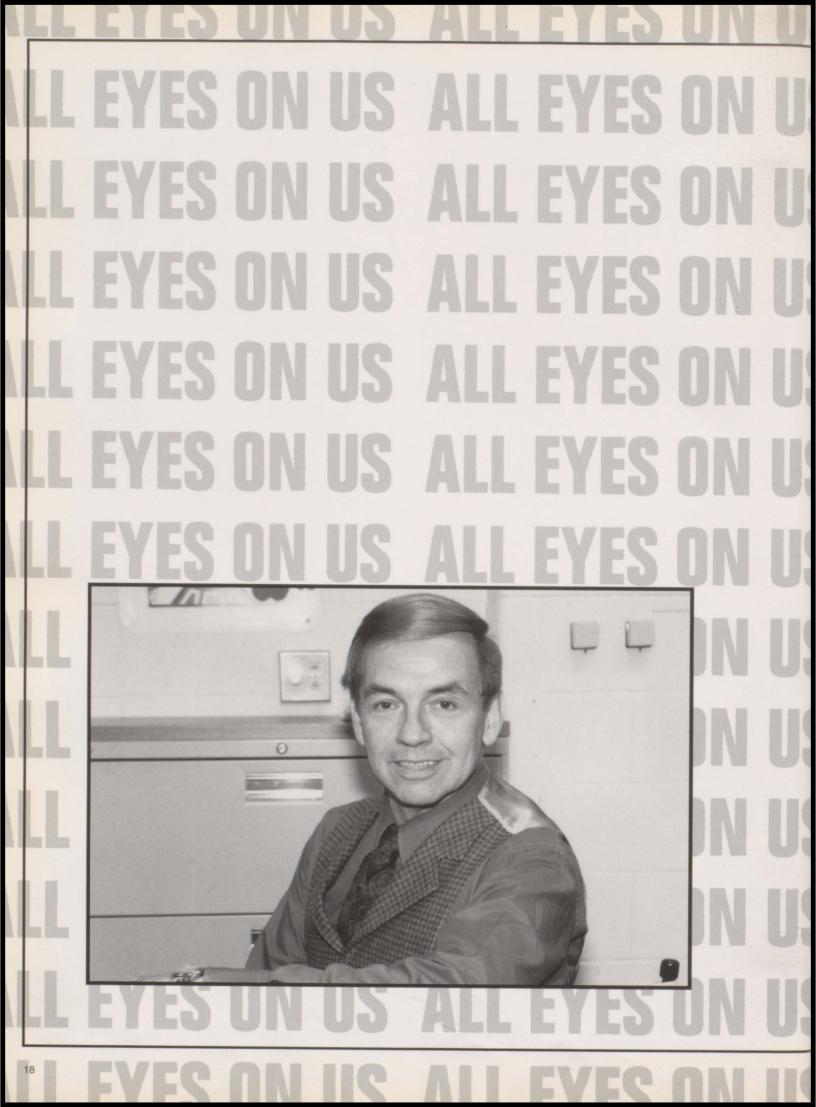
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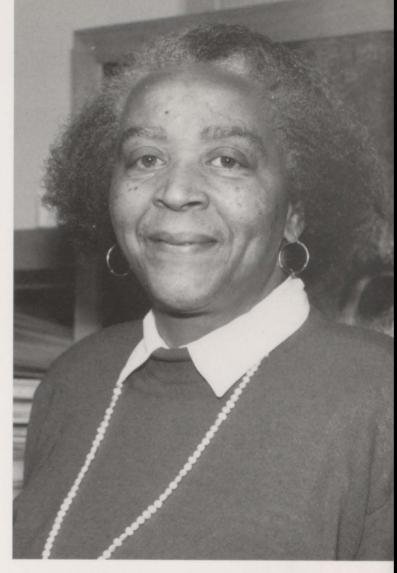
Your senior year has come and it is now coming to closure. Graduation from Arts High School, is simultaneously both a beginning and an end. Though you and your secondary years, you mark the beginnings of adulthood. Thedecisions you make from this day forward will be made more independently than ever before. You are now the primary motivating force in your lives.

My good wishes for happiness, success and peace go with you. It has been a privilege to have shared a portion of your lives with you., and my hope is that we have assisted you, in our role as educators, in the realization of your future plans.

It won't be long before this experience will appear distant, but you won't forget it. These have been the years in which some of the most important areas of growth and maturation have taken place. The academics have always been our priority, but we can hardly ignore the social, and emotional growth which have taken place during our time together. You are more mature; you are more responsible; and you should be much more self assured and determined. I expect the best you have to offer. you are terrific young people who are equipped to undertake any of life's challenges and meet them successfully.

Congratulations and best wishes.

Eleta J. Caldwell Principal



You have shared a very precious part of your life with us. We have watched you develop from neophytes to graduates at Arts High School. We have shared moments of joy, moments of sorrow, moments of excitement and moments of anxiety. We have had the privilege of sharing time- a gift that is priceless. We have taught each other many meaningful lessons.

Remember always to value the beauty of life and of family. Be true to yourself and loyal to those who love you.

With love and pride. I congratulate you for your success. I thank you for enriching my life.

Mary J. Soriano Vice- Principal



#### Department Chairpersons



Mrs. Nettie Thomas

As John Ruskin states, "Fine Art is that in which the hand, the head, and the heart of Man go together." The focus on the development of individual creativity, in the ArtDepartment, reflects this belief. The artistic, creative experience of the Visual Art Majors range from drawing and painting from observation and imagination, to sculpture, photography, fashion and textile design. Student are simultaneously provided with the opportunities to extend their artistic endeavors beyond the classroom on the local, state level.

As their art instructors, we strive to present a program which instills in our students the concept that, "Art is not a mirror to reflect the world, but a hammer with which to shape it." Hopefully their experiences as Art Majors at Arts High School will enable them to use their individual creativity as the hammer for forming a better tomorrow for the class of 1997 and the generation to follow.



Mrs. Judith Barrett

The Guidance Staff has instilled within each student a desire to strive for excellence and make career choices that will enable them to meet life's challenges. You now have taken the first step: higher education is the key that will unlock the door to a successful rewarding life.



Mr. Alex Colatrella

The interscholastic program is an educational experience for the spectator as well as the athlete. A concerted effort is made by the Athletic Department to capitalize on all the potential educational values of school athletes and extracurricular program.



Mr. Thomas Rojy

The math department continues to strive in giving our students the necessary mathematical skills to prepare them for higher educational courses as well to prepare them for real life experiences. Furthermore, we wish to prepare our students to be productive as well as constructive citizens in the future.



Mr. Nicholas Santoro

The Performing Arts at Arts High School has given you a very comprehensive experience in both practical and theoretical aspects of Music, Dance, Drama and Television Communications. Each of you possess the talent to continue in your field of interest and the faculty hope you will become actively involved in your community to bring the joy of the arts to everyone.



Mr. Walter Kaczca

The goal of the science department is to prepare our students for a successful college experience and their future careers. Our focus is on the major sciences of biology, chemistry, and physics. We also strive to show the integration of science and the arts, especially through the use of technology.

Congratulations and Best of Luck to the "Class of 97".



Ms. Mary Abend Spanish Teacher



Ms. Elizabeth Anderson Spanish Teacher



Ms. Yanick Allen French Teacher



Ms. Edith Battles System Success Aide



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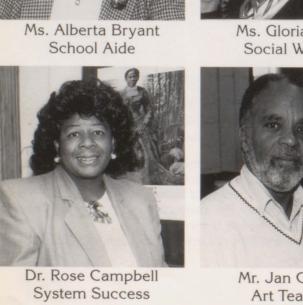


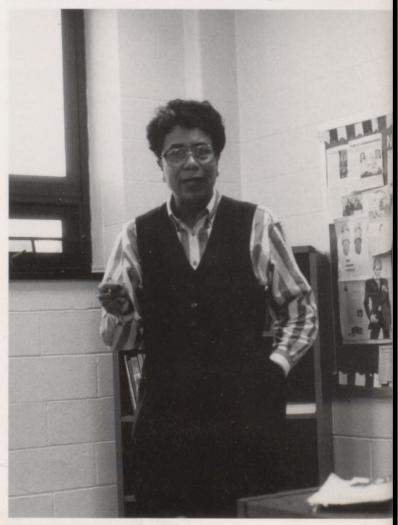


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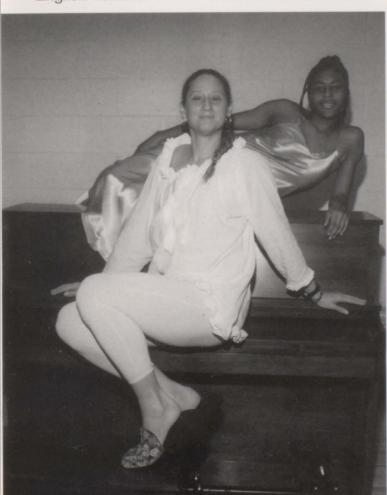
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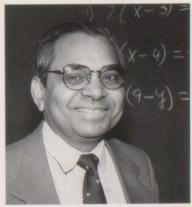
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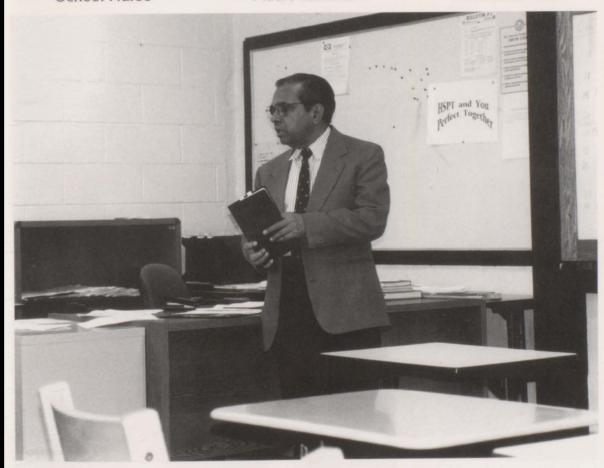
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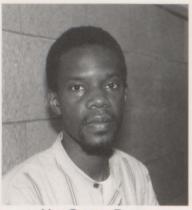
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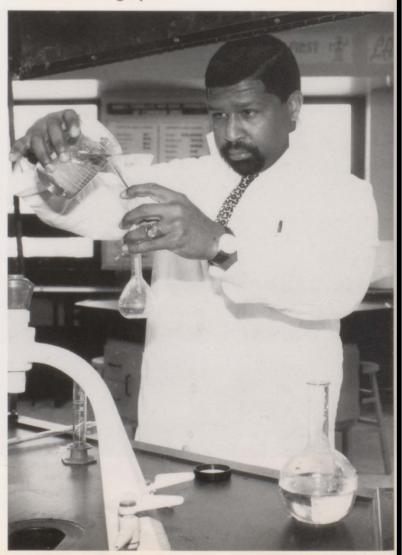


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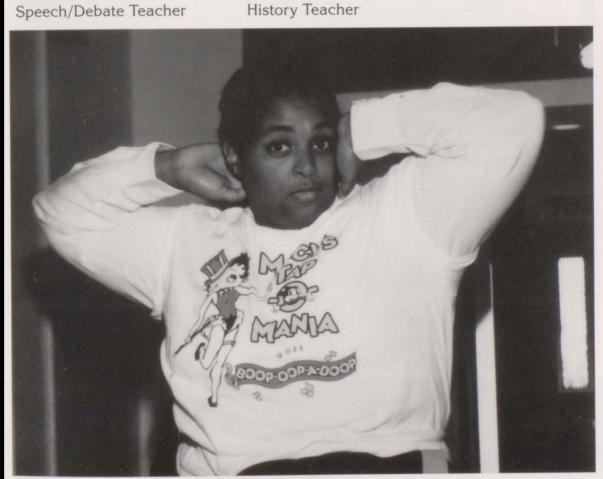


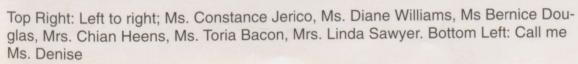
Mr. Andrew Weinstein History Teacher



Ms. Deanna Whitely History Teacher









Mr. Michael Peterman Security Guard

Dr. William Farley Smith came to Arts High School in 1993. He came to teach music and made his name synonymous with music. He came as a friend and became family. He came to visit and he will remain in our hearts and minds forever. Dr. Smith loved his students as well as his music. He taught Music Composition, Music Theory, History, Keyboard and band instruments. He was a Choral Conductor, Composer, Arranger, Mentor and Artist. We at Arts High shared him with the world but there was talent and energy for all. During his tenure at Arts High, Dr. Smith founded the Men's Ensemble, which has performed on many occasions at Newark Symphony Hall. He was a minister of Music at Harlem's St. Mark's United Methodist Church. Dr. William Farley Smith was an accomplished singer and renown pianist, having performed with the Boston Symphony and New York Philharmonic Orchestra. Most recently he adapted and arranged African American spirituals, recently completing "Anthology for Soprano Voice of African-American Slave Songs." Dr. William Farley Smith died unexpectedly on Tuesday, March 18, 1997 at his home in Englewood, New Jersey. There are no words to adequately express the love and loss we have experienced, each and everyone. Goodbye Dr. Smith. Thank you and God Bless you.

We, the "Class of 1997", dedicate this book of memories to Dr. William Farley Smith, a dear friend and extraordinary teacher.

### IN MEMORIAM



Dr. William Farley Smith

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#### **JUNIORS**

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Donnel Bell Michelle Blount Juanita Boulware Mylenya Broughton Hope Burnett Veronica Castro

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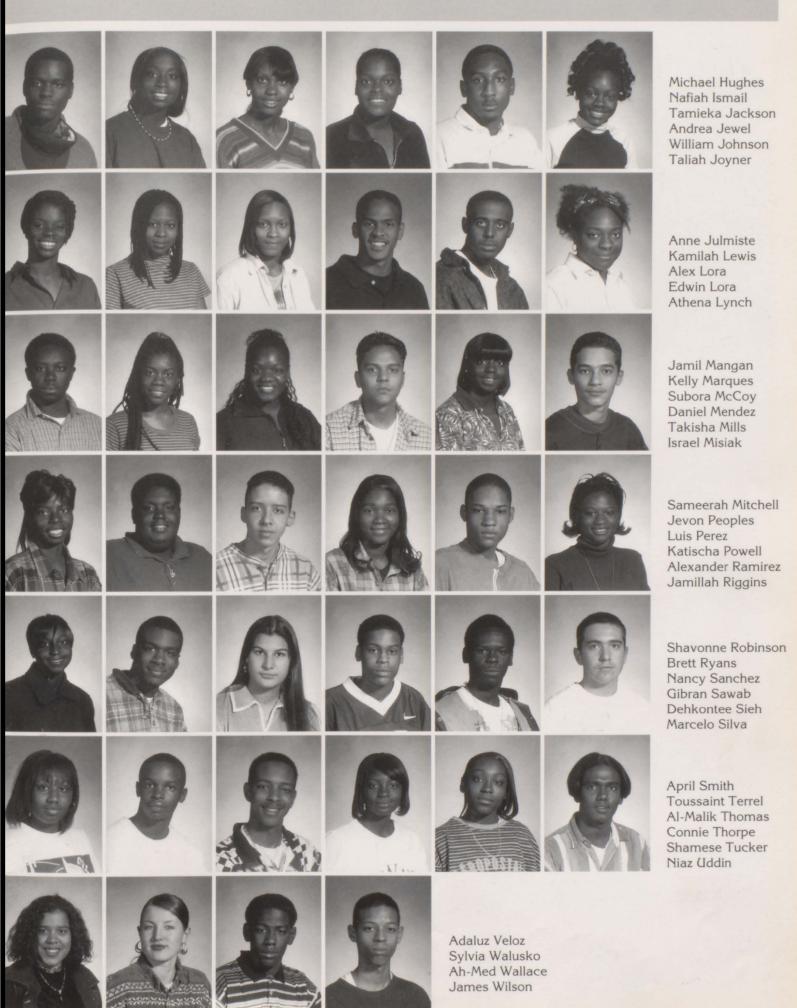












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Bottom left: Alexandria Hodge performs a ance for teh Hispanic Day Assembly. Right: Viviann Cruz and Ms. Durr dressing up on Halloween.





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Kim Brunson Ricardo Carzado Jeuel Cato Mei Lin Cheng Jamal Clemons Isiah Clinton

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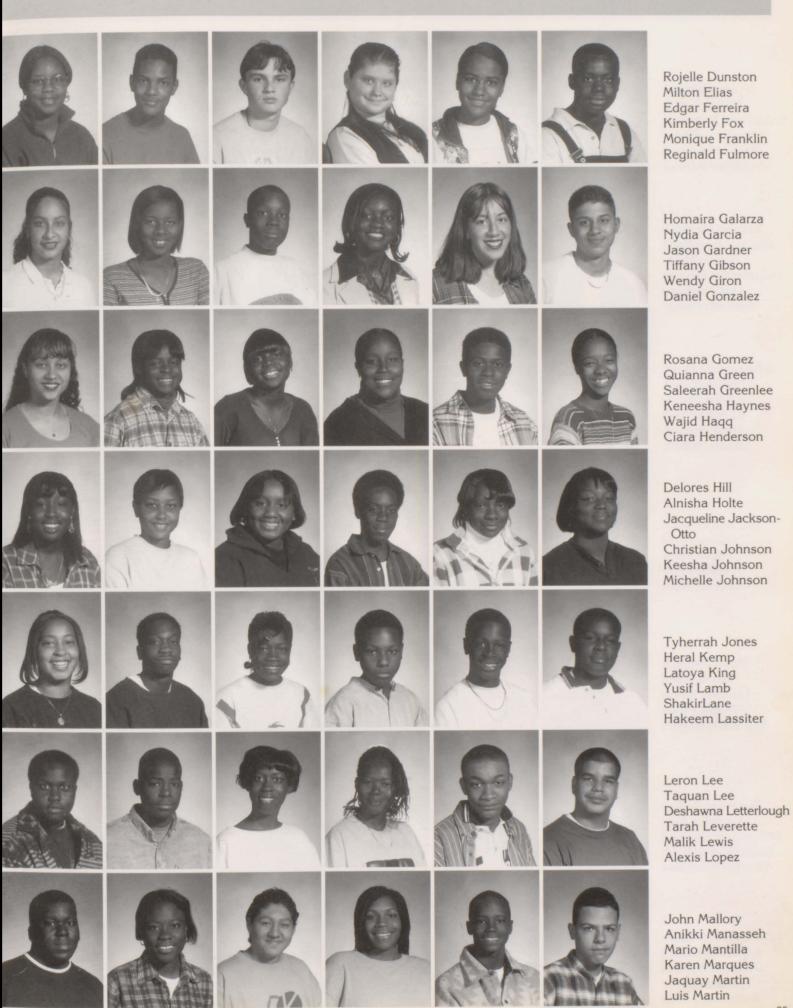












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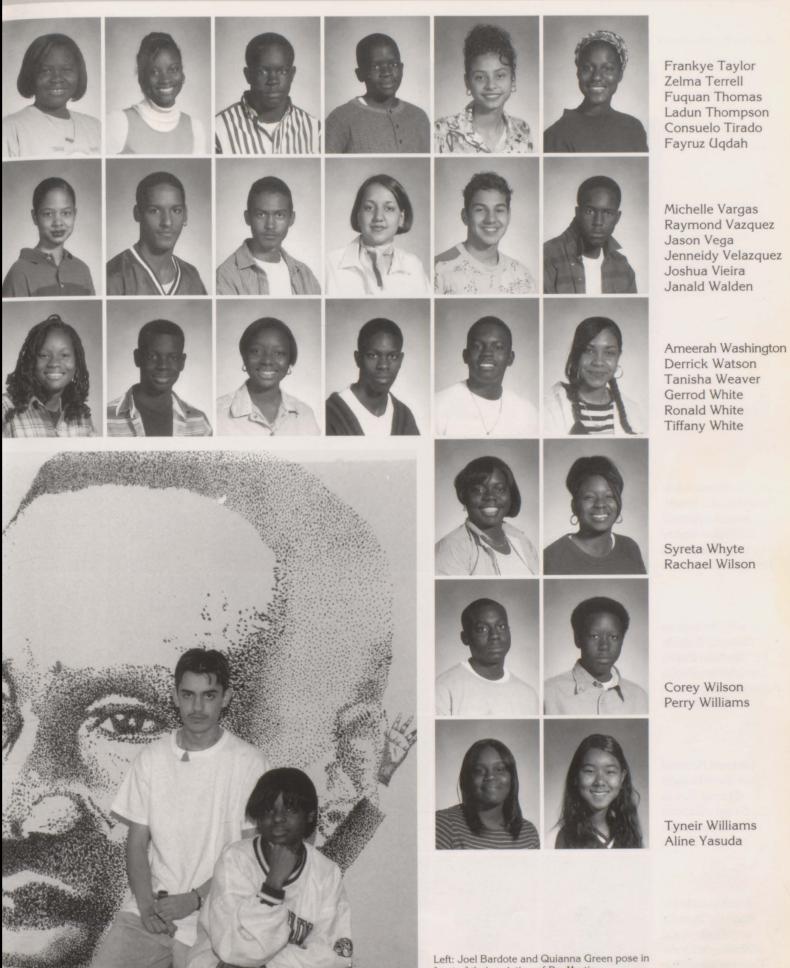
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Shameen Rollins Veronica Ruiz Shannon Rutherford Sulaimaan Saleem Brenton Saunders

Kevin Shelton Robert Simmons Dwight Singleton Tyshawa Sorey Robert Stephens





Left: Joel Bardote and Quianna Green pose in front of their painting of Dr. Martin Luther King.

# FRESHMEN

Bottom: Nicholle Motais in the spirit of Hat Day. Right: John Mendez waiting for his event to begin.





Sakinah Allen Nakimah Anderson Jennifer Arnold Chemise Baker Quana Baker Terrance Bankston

Rashiem Barnes Gilberto Batista Re Nee Battle Victor Battle Kaleenah Berryman Dante Bond

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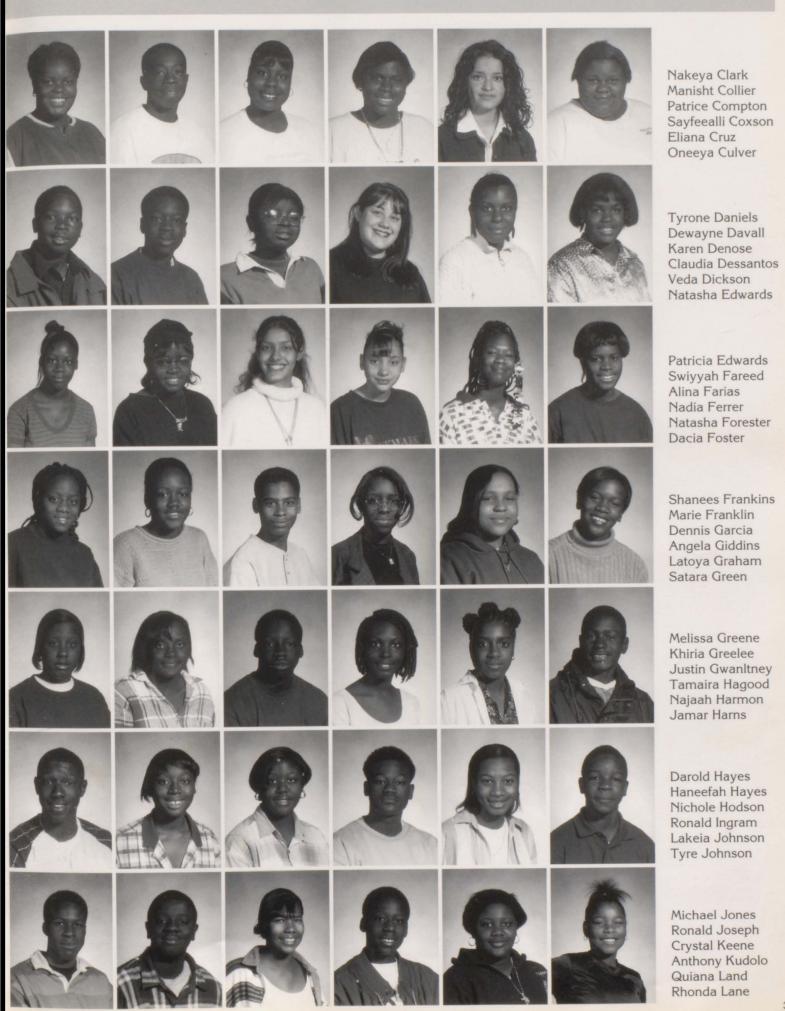








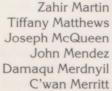




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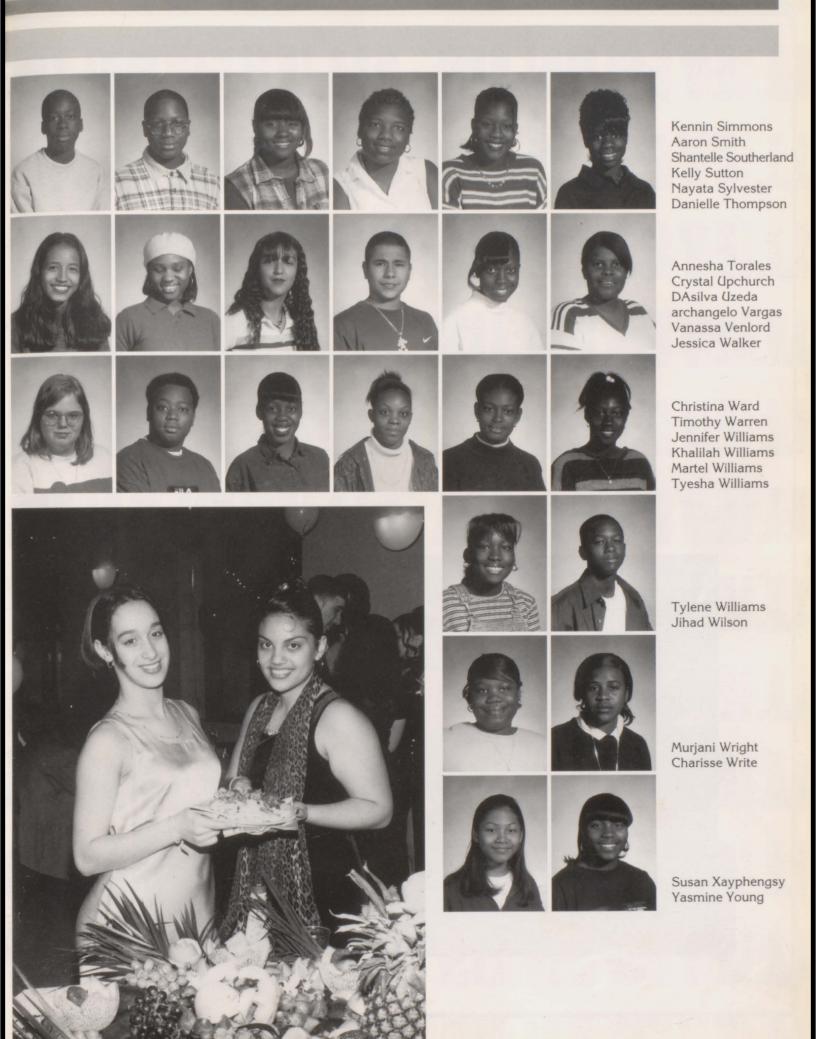
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#### ART CLUB

Lamar Blaine, Mr. Kyrejko, Joshua Vieira, Joel Bardote, Quianna Green.

Art Club members created a Black History Month graphic banner. The students also developed and improved personal visual perception through various art forms including lithography and lino-cut prints.

# STUDENT COUNCIL

Anthony Johnson, Tenisha Henerson, Ah-Med Wallace, Joi Hayes, Christoper Cuccolo, Chevonne Foley, April Smith, Mrs. Phyllis Johnson, Andrea Henry and others

The Student Council works to understand the attitudes, beliefs and aspirations of students, presenting them appropriately. Outstanding events were Winter Ball, Save the Children, Teacher Appreciation Day, Spirit Day, Service Community, and Alumni Day.

## STAGE CREW

Carlos Rios, Omayra Cortez, Frankie Taylor, Latoya Dickey, Andrea Henry (pres.), Myesha Lewis, Fiffani Harris, Tiffany Gibson

The Stage Crew provides technical support such as lights, sound and set running for all productions/performances school wide. It also provides such support to community organizations, programs, and other schools citywide.













# ART HONOR SOCIETY

Danielle Scott, William Penn, Paul Migaj, Sylwia Waluszko, Juan Rosado, Jakyrra Knox, Mr. Carden.

The Louis Spindler Chapterof National Art Honor Society was named for a beloved art educator who touched the lives of many. Members must achieve at least a B+ average in art. The group paints patient windows at United Hospitals of Newark at Christmas and Easter, bringing cheer to the patients and staff.

#### VIDEO YEARBOOK CLUB

Right: Leron Lee, Cherone Foley, Omyra Cortez, Eleana Diamontino, Alex Lora, Michael Hughes, Ubon Xayphengsy, Dashawna Letterlough, Shatequa Flemming-Bouie, Da Bredda, Edgar Ferriera.

The Video Club learns how to use state of the art video equipment. They learn taping techniques, editing, composition, lighting and sound procedures necessary to produce high quality videos. Mr. Wanko is the advisor.

# MULTI-MEDIA CLUB

Andrea Henry, Omyra Cortez, Eleana Diamontino, Da Bredda, Kimberly Broughton, Mr. Wanko, Edgar Ferriera, Alex Lora.

The Multi-Media Club advised by Mr. Wanko, tapes all of the events that are held at Arts High with a focus on seniors.

#### SPEECH TEAM

Quianna Green, Yondell Costan, Tasha Edwards, Andrea Henry, Christopher, Kristina Ward, Coach, Mr. Suliman, Alex Cruz, CarlosRios, Shawnette Munn, Derrick Watson, Luis Moscoson, Tonesha Reese, Lance Giddings, Captain: Aqueelah Shaheed, Shannon Rutherford, Jamil Megan.

The Speech Team under the guidance of Mr. Suliman participate in forensic competitions. They went to Harvard and had a wonderful experience, interacting with high schools from the east coast.

#### **ASPIRA**

Ameer, Lydia, Gloria, Damaris, Alexandra, Milagros, Robert, Adalis, JocelynLance, Ginerva, Vivian.

Aspira is a club which is designed to celebrate and learn about Hispanic culture throughout the world. The group also visits many other cultural events.

# YOUTH ADVISORY COUNSEL

Jameica, Khadeeja, Alnisa, Al-Malik, Yolanda, Sanura, Tamika-Ciara, Tynisha, Mrs. Barrett, Joi, Andrea.

The Youth Advisory Council is a service organization which assists students in need of help when a peer is needed. Sometimes an adult who understands the complete situation can assist to resolve the problem or offer support.















# ALLIED HEALTH CAREERS CLUB

Top Left: Darraris Rivas, Shakell Jerman, Dwane Harris, Kalia Neblett, Kimbreya Broughton, Andrea Henry, Geoffrey Tanner, Luis Reyes, Christopher Viduarre, Latrice Clark, Robert Martinez, Jameica Tutler, Alex Lora, Tamisha Johnson, Amir Ortiz, Shannon Hansford, Yolanda Sanders. Bottom Left: Tynisha Jones, Tanisha Henderson, Mr. Van Allen, Übon Xayphengsy, Yolanda Douglas, Sanura Price.

#### CHEERLEADERS

Yolanda, Nateesha, Juanita, Takeisha, Sharonda, Tiffany

The Varsity Cheerleaders cheer for the Varsity Basketball Team. Their spirited performances help to pump up the crowd.

Left: Yolanda Sanders looks at the action. Right: "I can't get up".

# NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY

Sonia Cunha, Übon Xayphengsy, Milagros Ortiz, Jocelyn MartinezWilliam Penn, Luis Reyes, Joao Cunha, Paul Migaj.

The National Honor Society creates enthusiasm for scholarship and opportunities for rendering service. It also promotes leadership and development of character.

#### UNDERCLASSMEN YEARBOOK CLUB

Left to right: Ana Letra, Oliva Fariac, Khairia Greenlee, Arleny Rodriguez and Mr. Carden, Advisor

This group meets weekly to learn the elements of producing a quality yearbook. They learn writing, layout design, photography and word processing, helping to produce the current yearbook.

# CREATIVE DESIGN CLUB

Edgar Ferriera, Mr. Wanko, Dan Bredda, Sylwia Waluszko.



















## YEARBOOK STAFF

Joao Cunha, Andrea Henry, Jocelyn Martinez, Tashaya PorterWilliam Penn, Anthony Johnson, Right: David Warren.

Sometimes putting a yearbook together can be quite trying. The color deadline for the first 16 pages is due in one week and we do not have enough color pictures to fill it. We have to call the photographer immediately to take more pictures but it takes at least a week before we can get them back. Another deadline is due and we do not know how many pages to allot for the senior section. There is an important layout which needs a vertical picture and we only have horizontal ones. No one remembers which type style we use and the type book is misplaced. The cropper has disappeared. No one has a pencil. There are still seniors that have not turned in their information sheets. The computer doesn't work. Everything that can go wrong does. Nervous breakdown time has arrived. The above scenario is typical and familiar to all yearbook staffs. However, we were able to rise above the problems and to produce a yearbook of which we are very proud.

## YEARBOOK ADVISORS

Middle: Mr. Robert Fuller, Below: Mr. Walerij Kyrejko

Right: "We're willing to donate some hair, to those less fortunate."

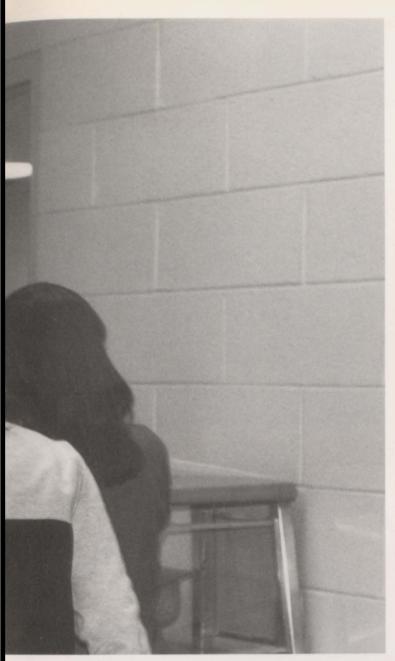






Above Left: "Do you really call this a style." Above: Danielle Scott with the low cut afro. Left: "Why did I have these braids put in my hair, they're killing me?"







# Hair And Now

weaves, braids,

wraps and perms

are the styles of the

90's

Hair. It can be our crowning

glory. It tells of mood and tells a story. We wear it long and then with beads, wrapped,

spritzed, wear a weave. We have

finger waves and curls, add extensions, sculptures, pearls.

We perm our hair and tease it

too, wear freeze curls and create our "do." Many colors in our crown, the long and short of it renown, this nineties look we

created, continues forward, unabated.



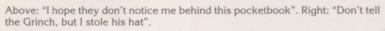
Above: "I think this looks cute." Left: "Just think about it, I spent four hours in a chair for this."

Right: "I'll hold this hat on somehow". Below: "Why am I posing for this picture, with this ridiculous hat on?"











elow: "They could have given me one thats fits". Bottom Left: "Don't ask me, I on't know what kind of hat this is".

# Hats Off To Us

A hat is a covering for the head. Such a simple thing, but there are as many ways to wear a hat as there are heads to hold a hat. In other words there are many heads to house a hat. Or hats to house a head. Many heads. Many hats. A simple thing. No two the same. For even appearing the same, looking and eminating differences. A twist. A turn. A slant. A flip. A different look. A different story. A different personality. Silly, serious, stately, stern. Summoning, spurning, sumptuous. Swinging, stylish, stunning. A hat. A covering for the head. Nothing more. Nothing less. A covering for the head.





Above: "I haven't wore this since last year's Hat Day."

Below:Adrian and Damaris in a dramatic scene from "MI Familia" in which an U. S citizen marries an illegal immigrant as a favor. They then realize that they have a lot in common.

# Celebrate Hispanic Culture

his year's Aspira show given by Mrs. Abend's aspira group proved to be monumental. With the help of Ms. Richardson and the dance majors, Mrs. Abend and the Aspira president Vivian Mendez, wanted to put on a show that will top all others. Mrs. Abend and Ms. Richardson's hard work and dedication paid off when a scene from the movie and Broadway show, "West Side Story" was sung, acted and danced out. The show began with Jocelyn Martinez's "La Plena", which featured all seniors from different ethnic backgrounds- Proving that you don't have to be "Hispanic" to be in an Aspira show. The meringue was choreographed by Alexandra, Madaline, and Jinnerva, another dance in the show. Ms. Richardson's dance of the Flameco was a success and another dance she choreographed. The show had many gifted and talented students that contributed to the success of the show. Many vocalists, actor, actresses instrumentalists, and dancers helped bring this show together. Without the help of such dedicated students and teachers, this year's Aspira show would not have been the best show it was and It was the BEST.

-Lydia Bangaroo



elow:Jocelyn letting Shawntel know that "You forget I'm in America." A song from the Broadway low and movie "WEST SIDE STORY." lackground: Milagros and Vivian)



Here's Simeon and Tamisha dancing to "Party Time" in Jocelyn's "La Plena."









Center Left:

Damaris, Erica, and Joanne posing for "Skyscrapersboom in America."

Center Right:

AL-Malik, Robert, Shawntel, Lance, Micheal, and Yondale looking at their competition.

Bottom Left:

Madeline dancing in the Merengue dance choreographed by Alexandria, Jinnervia, and Madeline.

The Thunderous Sounds of Wheels in Motion

# Wheels

n Thursday Dec. 19,1996, the senior class held a skating party at Skate Twenty-two, in Union, New Jersey. Although the attendance was small, we had alot of fun. The music was banging that some people decided to take off their skates and started dancing on the small practice ring. This was the second year that Arts High sponsored a skating fund-raiser. This year's funds went toward the senior class dues.



Above: Shara trying to show off her skills.

Bottom: Here are some seniors who attended t skating party. Those who didn't go missed out the fun!





Left: Chris holding on for llife. If he let go of the rail he'll bust his(
)!!

Bottom: Aliah is rockin' to the music.



Bottom: Here's David, Yolanda, Pbedor, and Aidah freaking on the dance floor.

Bottom Right: "All Eyes On Us" The senior class at Large.



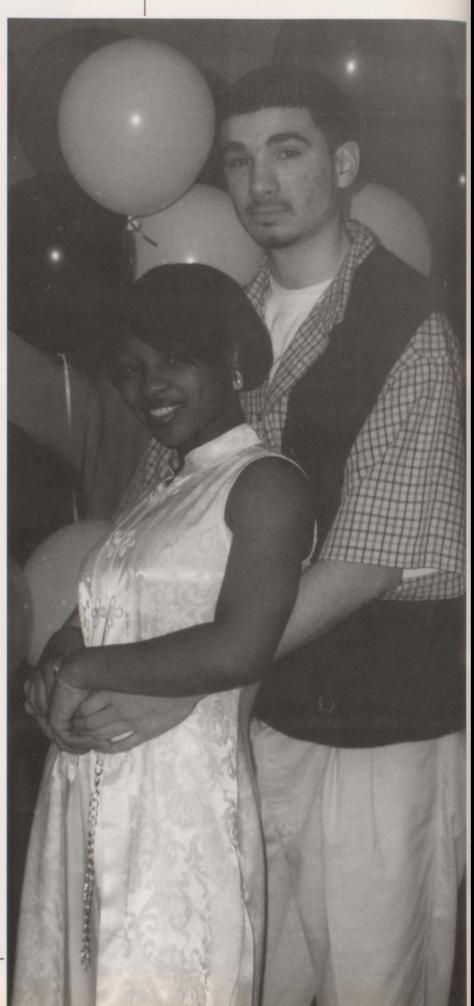


Above: Dwane trying to hold his balance After the picture was taken, Dwane fell!



# Dancing The Night Away

n Friday, February 14, 1997 the atrium of Arts High School was filled with revelers. It was St. Valentine's Day. It was Friday night. It was the night of the Winter Ball. It was the first Winter Ball Arts High School students celebrated in their new home. It was a night to remember! Dancing to the Fugees, NAS, Dru Hill and R-Kelly. Moving to Blackstreet and RZA. The students, friends and faculty of the class of 1997 had the time of their lives. They had a ball!. It was the Winter Ball of 1997.





Left: Natasha and Tiffany moving to NAS.

Below: Mecca, Alexandra and Vanessa pose for picture.









Middle Left: Jocelyn Martinez munchies on food from the buffet. Middle Right: Ginnerra and Shamir make one charming couple.

Left: Anthony Johnson, Milagross Ortiz, Adrian Mayor, Jocelyn Martinez and Niaz Uddin are all smiles.

Below left: Double fun with Camil and Samil. Right: Here's Adner, Steve, Geoffery, Corey and Andel posing for G. Q. magazine.



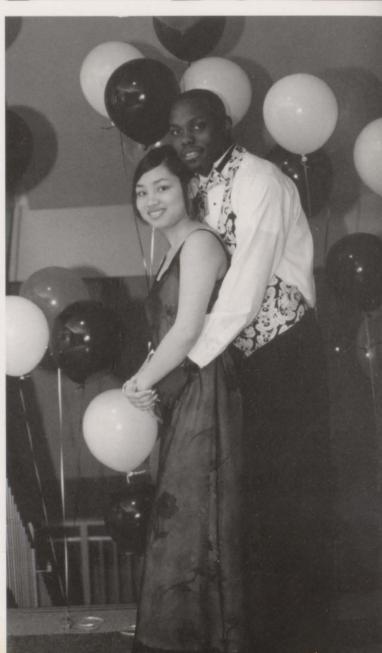




Above: I'm all dress up and ready to party.



Above: My Romeo. Right: Friendship comes a long way.





Left: Look at me now! Below: Can I get some punch without you staring at me?



Below: That's right, I came with a date!







Middle Left: Brotherly love: Sonia and Joao. Middle Right: The music was jump in. Below Left: Tickets, Tickets, Winterball Tickets ... All this work paid off.

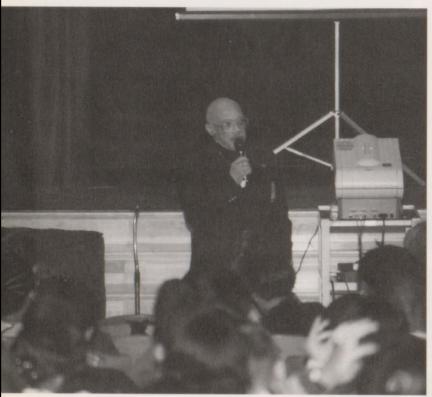


Below: Mr. George Reed addresses t student body.

Below: Exhibit of members of the 99th Fighter Squadron.

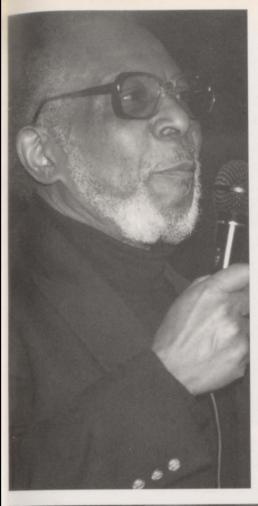






Above: Mr. Reed answers questions from the audience. Right: Shareefa and Dwane are quite mesmerized with Mr. Reed's and Mr. Tindall's presentation.





# The Tuskegee Air menhad flown 1, 578 missions, and destroyed 400 enemy aircraft.

# Mr. Tindell prepares to address the student body.

# Fighting To Fly

frican American History Month culminated with the visit of two Tuskegee Airmen. Earlier in the month students and staff watched the HBO film "Tuskegee Airmen to prepare for our guests' presentation. We welcomed Mr. George and Mr. Thomas Tindall who were genuinely pleased to share their experiences. After showing a twenty minute film documenting the significant events and people involved in the Tuskegee Air Program during World War II, Mr. Reed began to speak. Clearly Mr. Reed is an ambitious man with a positive attitude. Although the racist laws of segregation prevented Mr. Reed from fulfilling all of his dreams of flying fighter planes overseas, he was able to smile while sharing his memories of meeting his future wife at the Tuskegee airfield. Mr. Tindall also had heartening things to say about his training and his experiences. When asked how he endured the racial abuse and lack of respect of white soldiers, he quickly explained that there was nothing that could prevent him from achieving his goals. Similarly, when asked how he could fight for a country which did not treat him equally, he automatically responded that he had no other country for which to fight. In other words Mr. Tindall believed his efforts should help change his own country.





Ms. Caldwell, Mr. Tindell and Ramandan Edwards involved in a group discussion

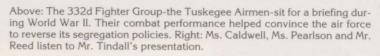
Above: Dwane Harris ask Mr. Tindall how he dealt with racial prejudice during his flight training.

Below: Student looks at exhibit of the Tuskegee Airmen accomplishments. Right: Mr. Tindall addresses the student body.





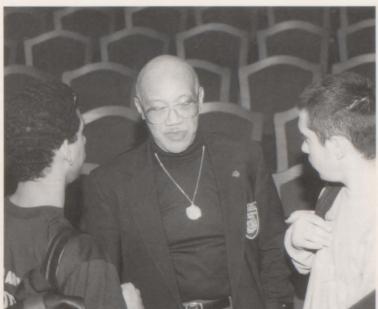








Left: Mr. Reed tells the student body how the Claude B. Govan chapter of the Tuskegee Airmen got started. Below: Mr. Reed involved in a discussion with students. Middle Left: Mr. Tindall, Ms. Caldwell and Mr. Reed.









Above: Captain Erwin B. Lawrence, commander of the 99th Fighter Squadron in April 1944, was killed during an attack on a German airfield- one of 66 Tuskegee Airmen to perish in World War II. Bottom Left: An exhibit of accomplishments by the Tuskegee Airmen.

# Muralists

he Art Department, under the leadership of Mrs. Nettie Thomas, was contacted by Metropolitan Baptist Church of Newark, New Jersey. They asked if students at Arts High could create and paint a mural on the walls of their newly established toddler nursery. They wanted the mural to reflect spirituality and create an environment con ducive to Christian education. The assignment was undertaken by the Art Honor Society as a community service project. Mr.

Carden, advisor of the group, along with members Paul Migaj, Jakyrra Knox, Juan-Rosado, Sylwia Waluszko and William Penn worked directly on the walls. They worked after and on Saturdays in order to complete the project. They were assisted at various times by Dwane Harris, Jaquay Martin, Joshua Vieira and Fayruz Ugdah. The church honored the students and Mr. Carden at 10:45 Sunday church service where a plaque and certificates were presented. The project was a spectacular success.





Top Right: William Penn and Sylwia Waluszho work diligently on mural. Middle: William Penn, Juan Rosado and Fayruz Ugdah discuss progress of mural.



Below: Jakyrra Knox adds her personal touch to the mural.



Below: Mr. Carden gives words of encouragement to the students.







Bottom Left: Paul Migaj adds some finishing touches to the mural. Bottom: Dwane Harris paints his interpretation of Noah's Ark.

Left: Chantel Witherspoon, Sharra Morrow try get a sound.

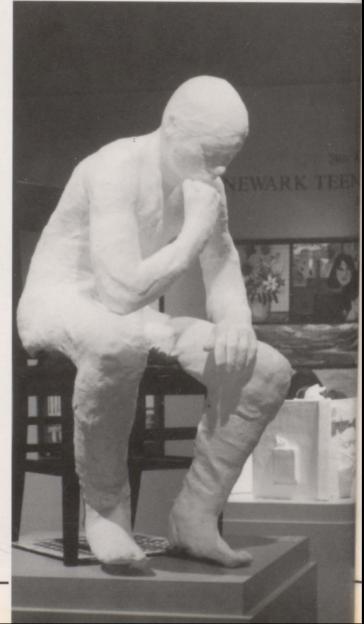
# Impressions







Top Right: Joao Cunha plays the French horn. Bottom Left: Danielle Scott admires her painting. Bottom Right: "Juan, when are you taking me home".





Left: "Chuck, I'm trying but the sound won't come out". Below: "I can't look at any more dots. Bottom: A priceless painting.

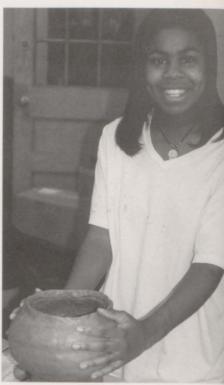




Left: Vanessa Martinez gives a solo performan

## Are Everlasting







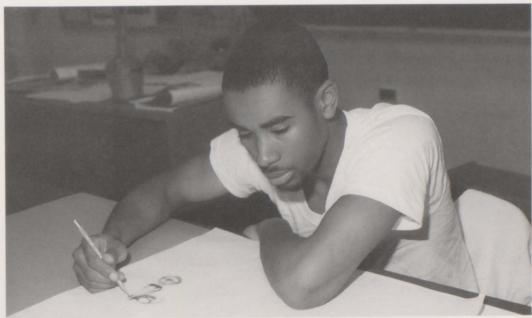
Top Right: Shameen Rollins making a hand built piece of pottery. Bottom Left: Christopher Vidaurre working on a class assignment. Right: "Now if could only remember what pitch".



elow: "Why am I doing this, people my think I'm razy".



Below: "Now I'll show you my SKILLS". Middle: Tamisha Johnson performs for the students, during the Winter Fair.







Left: "Now I can finally paint, I found a decent brush".

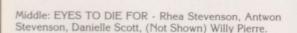
Below: LEAST TALKATIVE - Nykeama Robinson, Shakell Jerman, Christopher Viduarre, Robert Cousette.

# And The Winner Is ...

hat exactly are superlatives? superlative (se purletiv) adj. 1. superior to or excelling all other or others; of the highest kind, quality, degree, etc; supreme. 2. excessive or exaggerated 3. designating or of the extreme degree of comparison of adjectives and adverbs; expressing the greatest degree of the quality or attribute expressed by the positive degree; usually indicated by the suffix - EST (hardest) or by the use of most with the positive form (most beautiful). These attributes are quite synonymous with this year's selections.







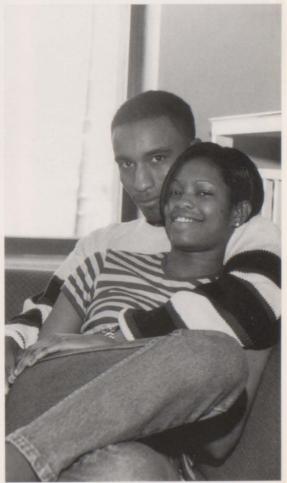






Left: MOST COMICAL - Shanell Lee, Yolanda Douglas, Ramadan Edwards (Not Shown) Roger Howell. Below: MOST ATHLETIC - Malik Hester, Lamar Blaine.





Above: BIGGEST FLIRT - William Penn, Tarra Leslie







Top Left: MOST POPULAR - Jameica Tutler, Dwane Harris, Yolanda Douglas. (Not Shown) Al-Jabbar Jackson. Top Right: BEST SMILE - Milagros Ortiz, Girard Morris, Marijoe Ashiekwei, Brian Robinson.



Bottom Left: BEST DRESSED - Tahir Bellamy, Gavin Douglas. Bottom Middle: BIGGEST FLIRT -Hakeem Peterson, Iris PinKney. Bottom Right: BEST DRESSED - Sanura Price-Jameica Tutler.



Top Left: BEST FRIENDS - Jameica Tutler, Khadeeja McElroy. Middle: MOST DRAMATIC - Anthony Johnson, Atiya Stewart, Andrea Henry. Below: BEST FRIENDS - Shareefa Hargove, Ciara Mendez. Bottom Left: MOST CHANGED -Larry Ram, Stanley Hannah, Tarra Leslie, Sonia Cunha. Bottom Right: BEST FRIENDS - Micheal Green, Hernani Caravalho.











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## Swing Batter, Batter.

Chris trying to tag the runner out.







Ameer running home.



Teammates discussing the strategy.





Hakeem getting ready to make a homerun.

Adrian doing what he do best.





Top Row: Coach Markowitz, Lopez, Mayor, Reyes, Caraballo, Martinez, Vidaurre, Coach Savage Bottom Row: Cosme, Nieves, Ortiz, Peterson

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Glen Ridge
Mountain Lakes
Kinnelon
Bloomfield Tech.
Verona
University
Immaculate
Newark Tech.
Whippany Park
No. 13th St. Tech.
Science
Benards
Bayley Ellard
Cedar Grove
Chatham

Jocelyn, who knew she could do it.

All that work for nothing.





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Coach Pietropinto, Coach Lawrence and the Arts High School Girls Softball Team.

### Lady Jaguars Show Promise



The Softball Team gets ready to win.







There's Coach Pietropinto profiling for the camera using his swing pose.

Iris and Amina are happy to be on the team.

Danielle Scott serves the ball.







Nobody can hit a volleyball like Taz.





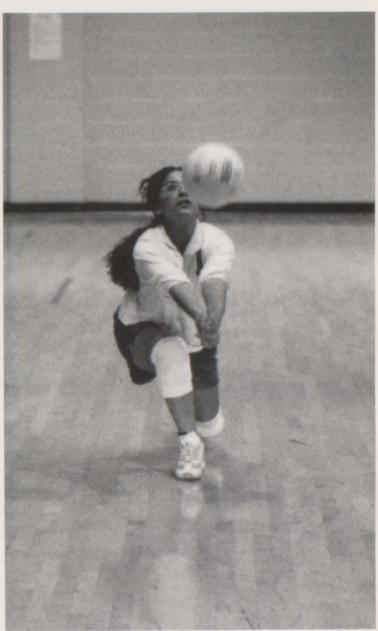
The Arts High School Girls Volleyball Team practices for their victory.





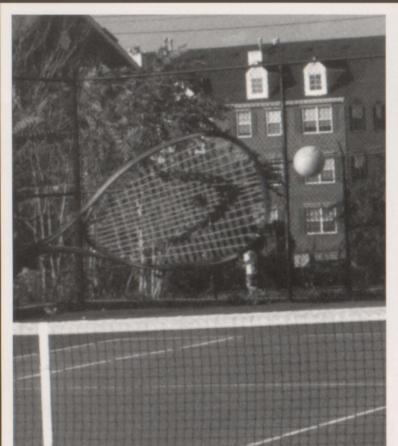
## Spike The Competition.

The Arts High School Volleyball Team is a team of good effort and dedication. Their captain, Danielle Scott, showed that winning isn't everything. And that showed how much teamwork and dedication this team had.



Our Girls Volleyball Team know they can do it.

## For the love of the game





Tennis team is swinging

A game of strokes, skill, and stamina. Tennis also doubles as a sport involving highly intense emotion. Each team member trains herself through rigid practice schedules and conditioning along with assistance from tennis coach Rudy Comick. Team members showed up swinging their rack ets on the court and jogging everyday, no matter what the weather is like.

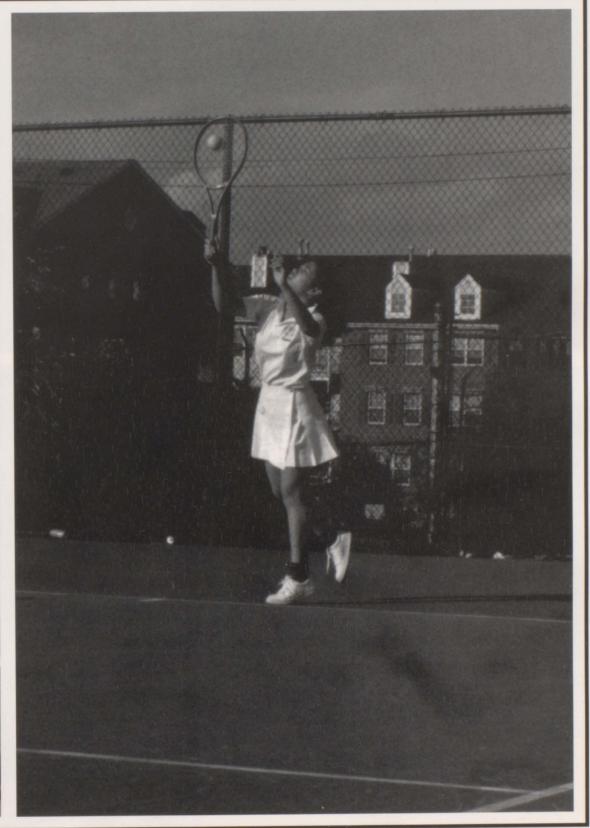


Bottom left:Tennis team is practicing their swings. Bottom right:Tennis group.











## RUNNERS TAKE YOUR MARKS

Both the boys and girls track and field squads were inspired by outstanding performances of senior members. Track coaches Mr. Moore and Mr. Mainor were very emphatic in their praise of those seniors who have come out year after year, two or three times each year to participate in track. These senior stalwarts are:

Marijoe Ashikwei, Latrice Clark, Antwon Stevenson and Lamar Blaine.

Top: Shawnette Munn, Melissa Drakeford Sameerah Mitchell and Latrice Clark stretch before their event. Right: Girls Track Team and their coach Mr. Mainor.





Left: Lamar Blaine sprints toward finish line. Right: Melissa Drakeford warms-up before her event.







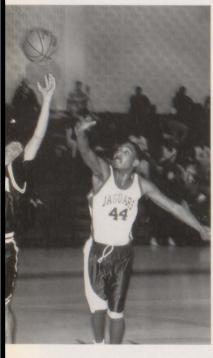
Left: Annesha stretching before her event. Right: Al-Jabbar Jackson running an impressive leg of the relay.

This was intended to be a rebuilding year, but it turned into an exceptional season for Edward Skipper and William Johnson.

## Skip And Johnson Ignite The Team

#### SCHEDULE

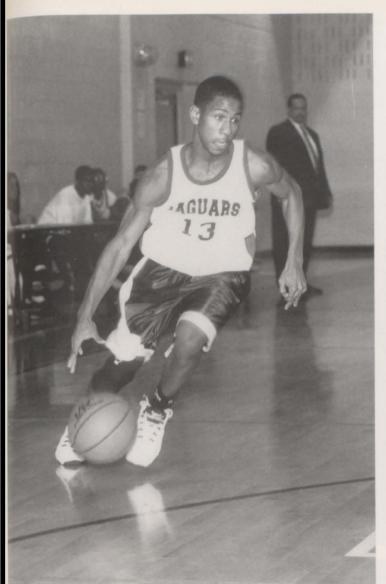
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Above: William Johnson goes for loose ball.

Right: Skip takes the ball up strong against the Chatham defender.





Top Left: Brian Robinson drives hard to the basket. Below: Brian scores in traffic.







Left to Right: Girard White, Edward Skipper, William Johnson, Brian Robinson, Toussaint Terrell, Jaquay Martin, Luis Reyes, Hakeem Sabur, Adrian Mayer, Darrel Hayes, Ramadon Edwards, Isiah Clinton, Coach Bryant Richardson.





Top: Cheerleaders arouse the crowd. Bottom Left: Skip cuts between Chatham defenders. Bottom Right: Luis Reyes makes it look easy as he drives pass Chatham defender.





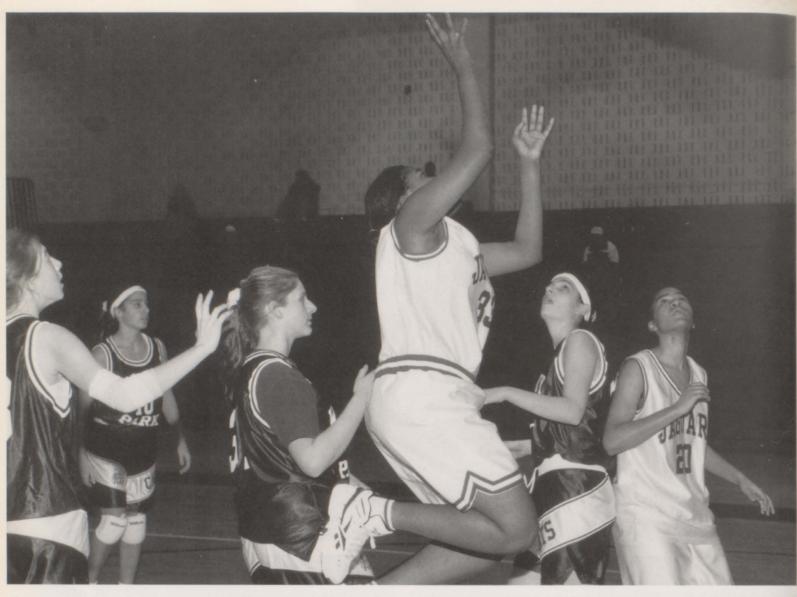
Top Left: Skip leans in for two. Top Right: William Johnson battles for rebound.







Jaquay Martin shakes his opponent on the way to the basket. Bottom Right: Girard Morris scores on a fade-away jumper.



Above: Amina Anabui takes the ball up strong to the basket.

Jennifer drives pass defender. Far Right: Sammiyah Whitney splits the defense.





#### Hustle was the name of the game

for the Lady Jaguar Basketball Team

## It's Up - It's Good For Two



Right: Coaches, Mr. Pietropinto, Ms. Royal and the Lady Jaguar Basketball Team.

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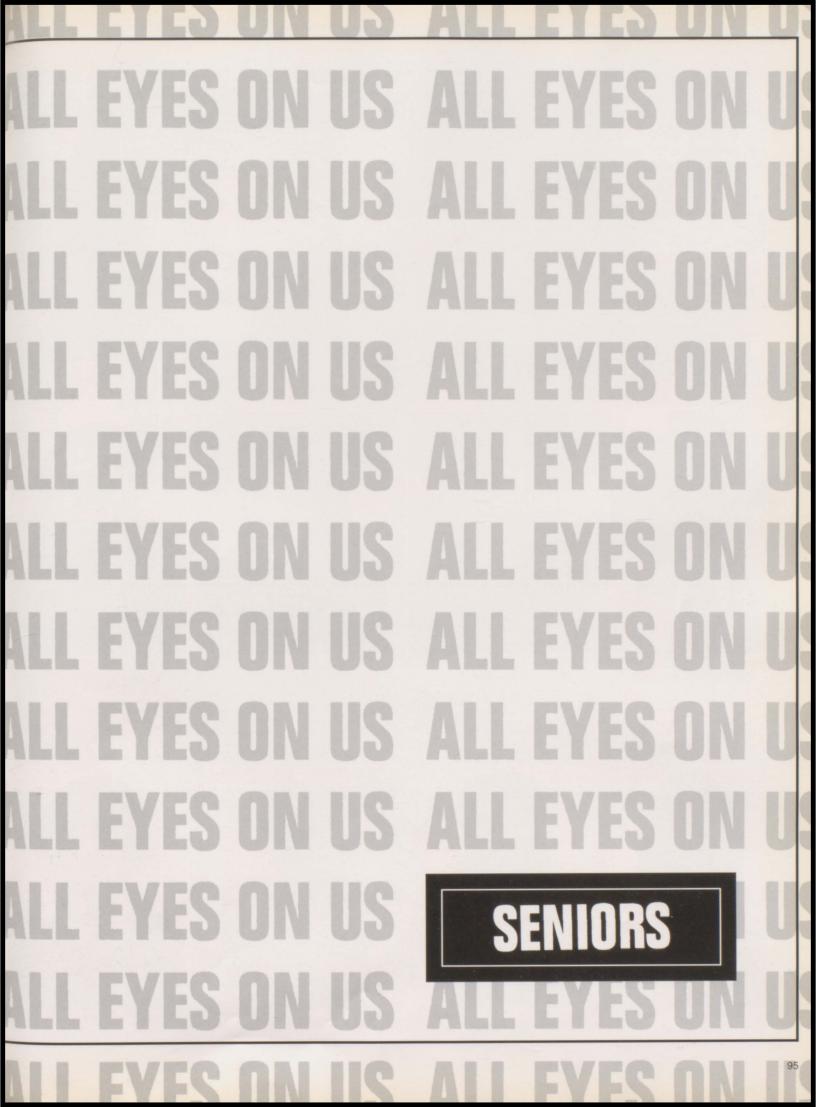


Above: Sammiyah Whitney and Amina Anabui position themselves for the rebound.



Above: Laquana Guy prepares to pass to a teammate.





#### To the Class of 1997:

I would like to wish each of you, as you are about to graduate, the very best now and in the years ahead May your hopes, ambitions and dreams come to fruition. Take time to THINK, since it is a source of power, Take time to READ, so that you may become wiser. Take time to LIVE, for it is the music of the soul, and finally, take time to ENJOY LIFE, since it is the secret to good health and happiness.

SENIOR HOMEROOM TEACHERS

Congratulations



Ms. Leslie Pearlson Senior Class Advisor



Ms. Phyllis Johnson



Ms. Yanick Allen



Ms. Leslie Pearlson



Dr. William Farley Smith

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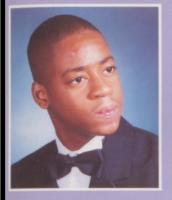
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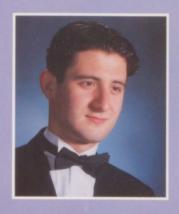




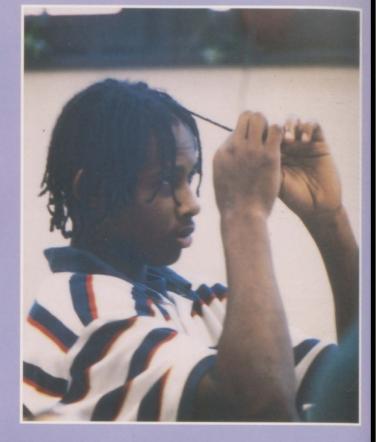
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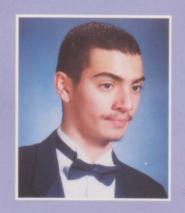
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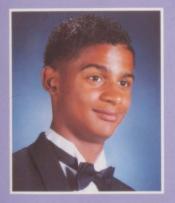
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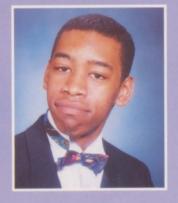
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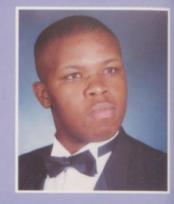












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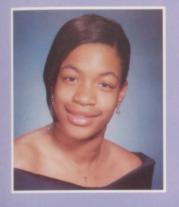
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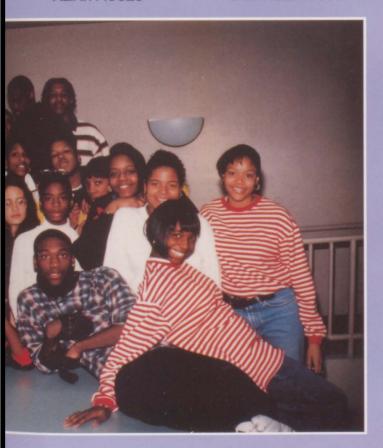
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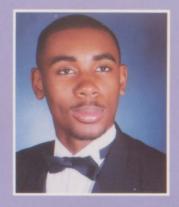
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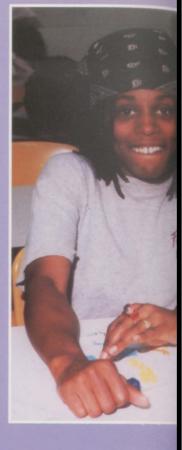
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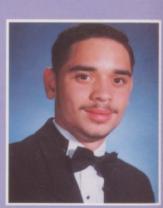
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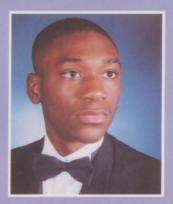
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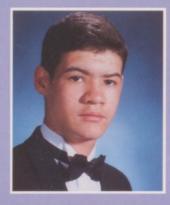
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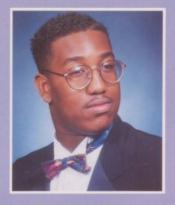
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DAVID WARREN



KENISHA WINDHAM



CHANTEL WITHERSPOON



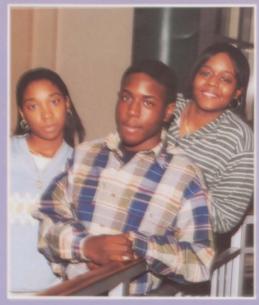
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KALIA NEBLETT LUIS REYES NYKEAMA ROBINSON



Shannon, Alterick, and Adalis "Teeth"



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Shara, Gavin, and Edward "Escobar"



Aidah, Kenisha, and Tamika "Nee-Nee"



Shareefa and Ciara "Ci-Ci"



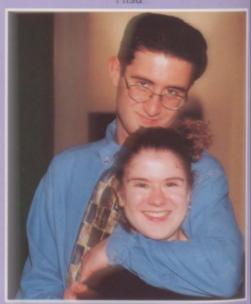
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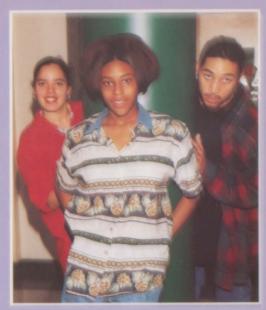
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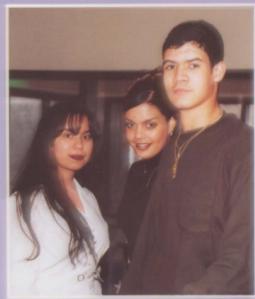
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Jocelyn, Tamisha, and Antwon "Misha-Head"



Tameika, Tynisha, and Tenisha "Shortie"



Damaris, Vivian, and Christopher "Viv"



Samilya and Camilya "Dutchess"



Adrian, Robert, and Larry "Rob"



Malik, Kimbreya, and Willy "Kim"



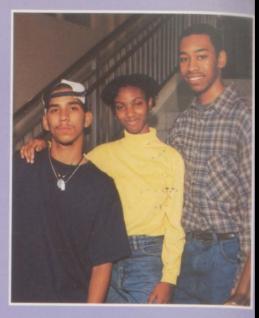
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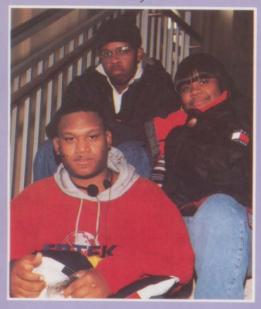
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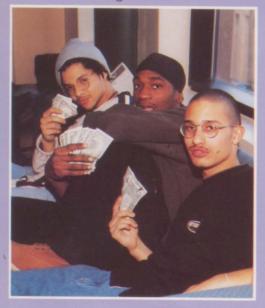
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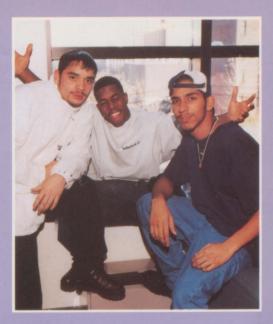
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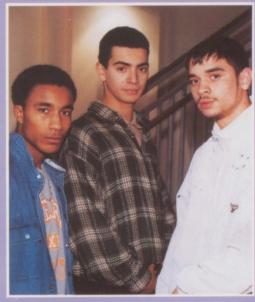
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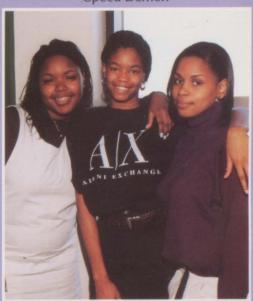
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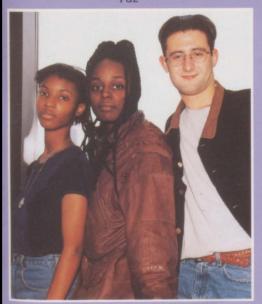
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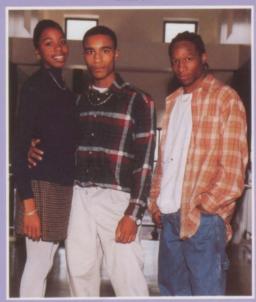
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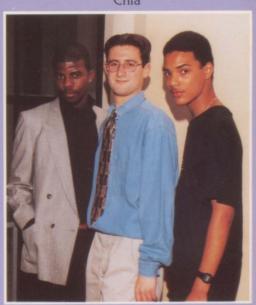
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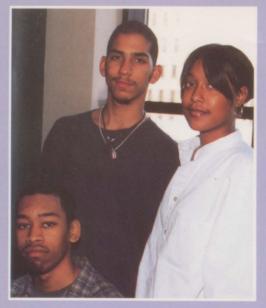
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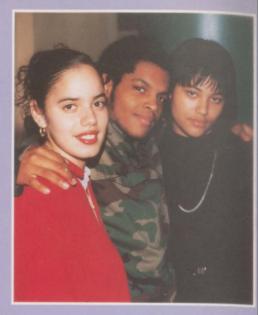
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Jocelyn, Hakeem, and Lisa "Hak"



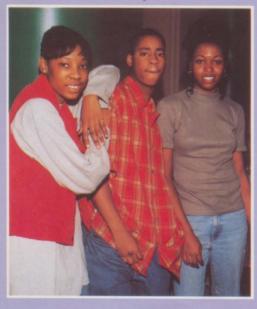
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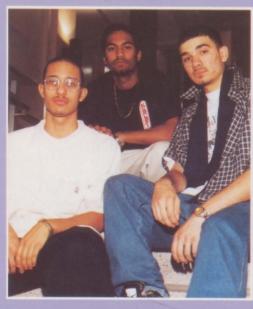
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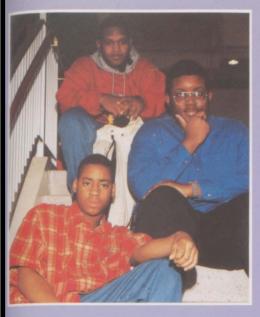
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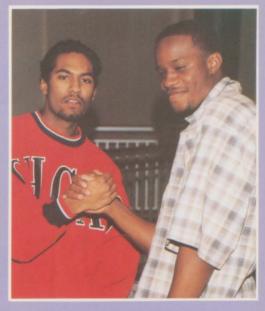
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Alex, Luis, Paul, and Brett "Viking"



Larry and Job "Job"



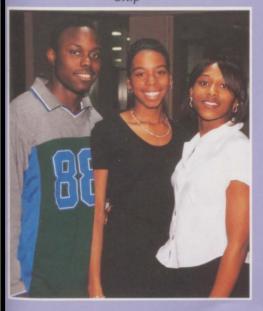
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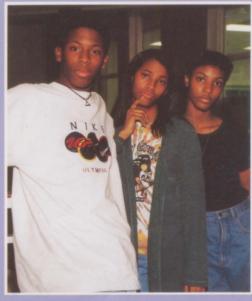
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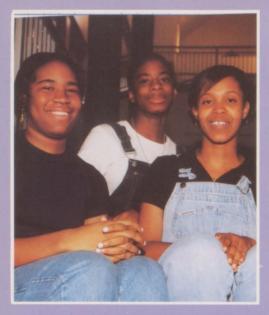
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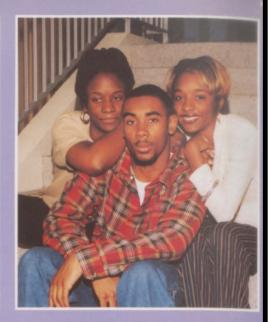
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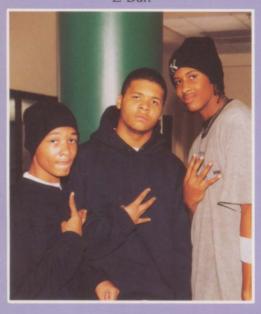
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Larry, Adrian, and Christopher "A"



Melenya, Willy, and Kembreya "Will"



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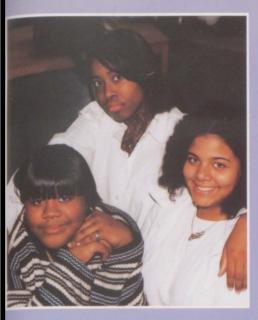
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Mr. K and Stanley "Bass"



Shakell, Kiana, and Samdreya



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Malik, Uban, and Dwane "Ubee"



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Roger and Erica "Chicken"



Latrice, Joi, and Danielle "Joi"



Khadeeja and Jamieica "Phony D"



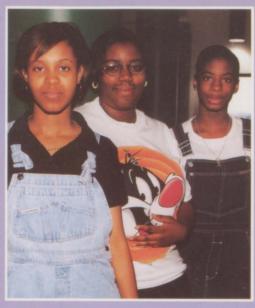
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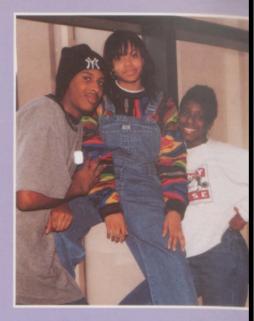
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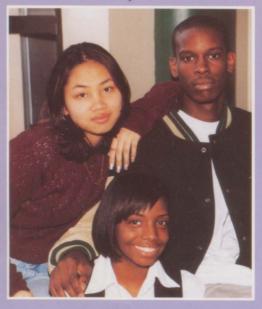
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Edward, Chantel, and Iris "Lil-Chan"



Ubon, Shara, and Gavin "Bone"



Malik, Iris, and Chantel "Chocolate Tai"



Kimbreya, Andrea, and Felicia "Mookie"



Lydia, Adalis, and Alterick "Beba"



William and Malik

# Senior Directory

Name	Phone	Address	City	Zip
	255 5522	657 N. Broad St. 3H	Eliz.	07208
Alvarez, Adalis	355-6622	721 S. 14th St.	Nwk.	07103
Anabui, Amina	642-0995 482-9160	381 Broad St. A815	Nwk.	07104
Ashikwei, Marijoe	484-9197	310 Verona Ave.	Nwk.	07104
Bangaroo, Lydia	399-9346	252 Clinton Pl.	Nwk.	07112
Bellamy, Tahir	375-0582	504, 5 S. 19th St.	Nwk.	07103
Blaine, Lamar Broughton, Kimbreya	373-6423	262 Kerrigan Blvd.	Nwk.	07106
Burroughs, Felicia	374-8295	32 Leslie Pl.	Irv.	07111
Campbell, Odette	375-5489	232 W. End Ave.	Nwk.	07106
Caravalho, Hernani	824-1975	53 Parkhurst St.	Nwk.	07114
Charles, Job	372-6787	121 Prospect Ave.	Irv. Nwk.	07103
Clark, Latrice	375-9151	593 S. 19th St.	Nwk.	07108
Teveland, Antionne	242-0332	205 Irv. T Blvd. 318 1086 18th Ave.	Nwk.	07106
Copeland, Samdreya	416-9673	72 Hayes St. 2N	Nwk.	07103
Copeland, Shakera	642-8514 639-1359	86 Brunswick St. 4B	Nwk.	07114
Coston, Yondale	824-5059	77 Montgomery St. 3E	Nwk.	07103
Cousette, Robert	344-8628	14 Cortland St.	Nwk.	07105
Cunha, Joao	344-8628	14 Cortland St. 2nd	Nwk.	07105
Cunha, Sonia	372-5823	74 Stuyvesant Ave.	Nwk.	07106
Davis, Alnisa Davis, Salimah	451-3910	1905 McCarter Hwy.	Nwk.	07104
Douglas, Gavin	371-8740	161 Hillside Terr.	Irv.	07111
Douglas, Yolanda	926-9362	120 Parkview Terr.	Nwk.	07112
Edwards, Ramadan	926-4666	39 Bayview Ave.	Nwk.	07112
Frazier, Deneen	373-6772	168 Ellery Ave.	Nwk.	07106 07106
Freeman, Klana	374-7742	31 Cleveland Ave.	Nwk.	07114
Gonzalez, Eddie	624-1996	237 Astor St.	Nwk.	07112
Green, Michael	923-5429	66 Mapes Ave.	Nwk.	07112
Hannah, Stanley	705-8576	194 Goldsmith Ave.	Nwk.	07104
Hansford, Shannon	485-3700	152 Elwood Ave. 2nd 5 Horatio Ct.	Nwk.	07105
Hargrove, Shareefa	374-6755 675 0505	75 Prospect St.	E. O.	07017
Harris, Dwane	675-9595 705-8382	346 Hobson St.	Nwk.	07112
Hayes, Joi	414-9678	103 Prince St. 2B	Nwk.	07103
Henderson, Tenisha	371-4167	139 Norwood St.	Nwk.	07106
Henry, Andrea	623-2491	316 S. 11th St.	Nwk.	07103
Hester, Malik	596-1127	801 N. 6th St. 1012	Nwk.	07114
Howell, Roger Jackson, Al-Jabbar	373-8521	232 Stuyvesant Ave.	Nwk.	07106
Jerman, Shakell	639-1504	404 S. 6th St.	Nwk.	07103
Johnson, Anthony	373-3942	291 S. 19th St. 1	Nwk.	07103
Johnson, Tamisha	642-0427	440 Washington St. 4A	Nwk.	07102
Jones, Camilya	371-5133	101 Tuxedo Pkwy.	Nwk.	07106
Jones, Samilya	371-5133	101 Tuxedo Pkwy.	Nwk.	07106
Jones, Tynisha	643-8938	860 S. 11th St. 3F	Nwk.	07108 07104
Lee, Shanell	481-0046	1907 McCarter Hwy.	Nwk.	07104
Leslie, Tarra	375-5387	399 Kerrigan Blvd.	Nwk.	07107
Manning, Alterick	481-4422	191 N. 13th St.	Nwk.	07103
Martinez, Jocelyn	623-5191	722C S. 11th St.	Nwk.	07105
Martinez, Robert	589-4503	28 Providence Ave. 742 Broadway	Nwk.	07104
Mayor, Adrian	483-5041	169 Ivy St.	Nwk.	07106
McElroy, Khadeeja	824-8631 624-0315	196 Astor St.	Nwk.	07114
Mendez, Ciara	690-5471	10 Cortland St.	Nwk.	07105
Mendez, Vivian	399-7360	55 Manor Dr. 8A	Nwk.	07106
Migaj, Paul	416-8338	29 Grant Pl.	Inv.	07111
Moore, Terri Morris, Girard	824-5612	715 ML King Blvd. 16K	Nwk.	07102
Morrow, Shara	372-7201	132 Underwood St.	Nwk.	07106
Moses, Aliah	926-5669	515 Eliz. Ave. 10J	Nwk.	07112
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Muhammad, Aidah	824-2042	113 Georgia Kg. Vlg.	Nwk.	07107
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Price, Sanura	374-1416	625 Sanford Ave.	Nwk.	07106
Ram, Larry Reeves, Pdedor	824-3110	332F Orange Ave.	Nwk.	07103
Reyes, Luis	485-6738	117 Montclair Ave.	Nwk.	07104
Rivas, Damaris	483-1529	451 7th Ave.	Nwk.	07107
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Rosado, Juan	242-2952	719 S. 14th St.	Nwk.	07103
Sanders, Yolanda	483-8187	16 Victoria Ave.	Nwk.	07104
Scott, Danielle	485-4257	380 Mt. Prospect Ave.	Nwk.	07107
Singletary, Daniaella	485-4656	60 9th Ave. 440 Eliz. Ave.	Nwk.	07102
Skipper, Edward	643-6136	57 Aberdeen Crt.	Hal.	07508
Stephen, Rhea	942-8956	153 N. 9th St.	Nwk.	07107
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Witherspoon, Chantel	926-4580	145 Weequahic Ave. 2	Nwk.	07112
Xayphengsy, Ubon	373-2665	65 Manor Dr. 5A	Nwk.	07106

## SENIORS UP CLOSE

Alvarez, Adalis -Music vocal..Aspira ... 2 my special friends Lydia, Milly, "Misha", Jocie, Damaris, Viv, Ameer, and Alterick:Congratulations, we did it! Always know that I value our friendships ... I encourage the classes that follow 2 always stay focused and be independent.

Anabui, Amina -Intrumental ... Basketball, softball, and tennis ... Student Council and video club..I want 2 wish my girls Shanell, Fe, Tunky, Daniella, Shannon, Ubon, and the rest good luck!..2 my boys Malik, Antoine and the rest, thanx 4making it fun ... I want 2 let them know that life is short live life 2 the fullest & do good in everything u do.

Ashikwei, Marijoe -Intrumental ... Senior class vice-president ... track and field...I want2 thank God, my parents and my 2 sisters ... Dwane, I'm glad u came into my life and show me what a true friend is. 2 all my friends thanks 4 being there ... Love goes out 2 all the girls in the track team.

Bangaroo, Lydia -Music vocal..Poerty and radio club, Aspira ... Jocie, Tamisha, Milly, Beba, Viv:I hope u achieve all u can in college, Good luck! ... 2the crew at the table good luck, K. I. T ... 2 all underclassmen, I wish u joy & luck in everything u do!

Bellamy, Tahir -Art ... Likes 2 rap and does studio work ... 2all my true friends who stuck my me, may God be with u in all your endeavors ... One thing that u should always remember is 2 stay true 2 your self and always put God 1st and u will never go wrong.

Blaine, Lamar-Art ... Football/ track ... I would like 2 give a shout out 2 my homeboyz of 97:Rev, Sim-Dogg, T-Dogg, and the most important friend 2 me:my girl Aidah & her best friend Kenisha ... 2 all the fellows "The smarter u r, the better u become in life"

Broughton, Kimbreya -Intrumental ... Caption of Pep Squad ... A special thanks 2 Andrea who was there 4 me and helped me when I needed her. Shout out 2 Willy, Tee-Tee, Al, Dwane, Maliki, Antwon and Robert Moore ... 2 my right hand man, my sister Mylenya: Represent the class of 98 well Baby Girl and make me proud.

Campbell, Odette -Drama ... Allied Health Club ... Shout out 2my "friends":Latrice, Samdreya, Shakel, and Nicole who has been there 4 me ... I would like 2 thank those who didn't like me because it made me a stronger person ... I want 2 Big Up "all yardies" nuf respect.

Clark, Latrice T. -Vocal ... Track & field ... Shout out 2 Jibber, Super, Ah-Med, Edwin, Alex, Mylenya, Lady Jaguar track team and the coach ... 2 all my friends I hope ya strive 2 be the best. 2 Will u kept my years at Arts happy, u will always have a place in my heart ... Special shout out 2 JoiKimbreya, "sista", Shakera & Alnisa.

Cleveland, Antoine M. -Drama..Likes going skating ... Wants 2 own a business ... 2 all my friends:I hope u live a prosperous and successful life ... "Never hold back what u r feeling."

Copeland, Samdreya -Vocal ... I will always be thankful 4 all those who stuck by me through the hard times:Shakel, Odette, Nicole, Latrice and Kiana;Thanks 4 all your love and support ... 2 all my other friends & family, I wish u best success.

Copeland, Shakera L. -Vocal ... Fashion Commitee and Youth Crisis ... Saying 2 special friends: "See what had happen was ... Hoochie Hoo" ... I want 2 say 2 all my friends, I love y'all. Thank u 4 being there 4 me through thick and thin ... Good luck and I will miss u dearly.

Coston, Yondale -Vocal ... Speech Team ... 2 Lance, Angela, JoseTanisha, and all my close friends:Thank u 4 being there 4me. I'll miss u all although I won't be in school, u can call me anytime. "Hot 97 all the way!"

Cousette, Robert, Jr. -Intrumental ... Plans 2 become an engineer or musician ... I would like 2 wish everyone peace, prosperity, and happiness from present day into the future. Peace-Out!

Cunha, Joao-Intrumental.. Year-book ... I wish the best of luck 2 all my friends who will continue on long after I'm gone ... 2 Milton who annoyed me 2 the breathing point and pushed me forward: Good luck!

Cunha, Sonia -Intrumental ... Rutgers Research, Honor Society, Tri-M, Portuguese/Brazilian Club ... I wish the class of 97 the best of luck. Strive 4 what u believe in and do not give up. The class of 1997will not fail, the world belongs 2 us! ... 2 my friends:thanks 4 being there 4 me. Brettl will always remember u as someone who knows and understands me, and 4 that I love u.

Davis, Alnisa Q. -Vocal ... Student Council, Youth Advisory ... Anthony, thanks 4 your 13 yrs of friendship. 2 my niggas in Nappi Town and all my friends, Good luck! ... My daughter and her father one love ... Mom I did it!..Madd shout outs 2the class of 97 "We did it"Now everyone go 2 college.

Davis, Salimah -Drama ... We all have had our ups and downs but through it all I wish u all the best of luck! ... I would like 2 thank all the people who had faith in me and stood by my side and never judged me. May God Bless You!

Douglas, Gavin -Art ... 2 my boys Skip, Ramadan, Brian, Girard, Dwane, Antwan & Malik among many others: Good luck! ... Shout outs 2 Samil, Camil, ChantelShara, Tashaya, Jamieca, Ubon, Cookie & Aliah ... Thanks 2 my family 4 always being there 4 me. 1 promise I won't let u down.

Douglas, Yolanda -Intrumental ... 2 all my friends:FE-Dogg, Amina, S. P. E. D, Shanell, Andrea, Alterick, Stanley, Ramadan, Shannon, Antoine, Samil, Camil, Shara & Chantel, much love ... 2 Chuck & Dr. Smith thanks 4 all your love and support. And the rest of the class of 97Good luck in what ever u do.

Edwards, Ramadan -Art ... Basketball ... Peace 2 my brother Naz, Stan, Brydi, Gav, Skip, GirardHarold, 2 the girls who keep it real and the rest of my peops and the class of 97, 98, 99, & 2000 ... thanks 2 my mother, father, Pumpkin, Deshawn, my brothers, and the rest of my family. And last but not least Allah I couldn't have done it with out you, much love.

Frazier, Deneen -Intrumental ... Yearbook, Prom & fashion committee ... Tennis ... 2 all my true friends, I wish u success and all the love your heart can hold ... 2 my family I love u and thanks 4 all of your support ... 2 the class of 97 good luck in the years to come.

Freeman, Kiana -Vocal ... I just would like 2 thank my best friends Shakel and Samdreya 4being there when I needed them. I wish them the best of luck in college and also the class of 97 ... I would like 2 thank Mrs. Geruin and Mrs. Uzzell who helped me along through the years at Arts.

Gonzalez, Eddie -Vocal ... Literary Magazine ... I would like 2 give a shout out 2 the class of 97. I wish all my classmen and friends the best of luck and success in all of their future goals.

**Stanley**, **Hannah**, -Art..Football...I would like 2 give a shout

## AND PERSONAL

out 2 all douggs,2 the "CRC" and the class of '98,'97 is what I represent until the day I die and go 2 heaven.

Hansford, Shannon R.-Insrumental...Aspira, Fashion Committee, and Yearbook...A message 2 the class of '97: I wish everyone success and happiness in all your future endevours. Hargrove, Shareefa-Art...President of Youth Advisory, and Student Council ...Shout out 2 all my peeps that kept it real...Big ups 2 the Tp Crew and the Nappi Town Crew...I would like 2 praise God, my parents, grandparents, Ci-Ci, Sman and the rest of my family. I love ya...2 Redbone Yolanda; never 4get summer school.

Harris, Dwane-Art ... I would like 2 thank the Almighty ... I'd like 2 give my luv 2 my bestfriend, Maryjoe ... Big ups 2 all my N.T.Crew: Willy,Al,Malik, Antwon,& Roger. Respect goes out 2 all the girls that showed me luv: Tynisha,Ses.CiCi, Alnisa,Tenisha,Andaloy,T.T & the rest ... Big ups 2 the Boriqua mommies & poppies.

Hayes, Joi C.-Voacl ... President of Student Council & Youth Advisory ... Track & field ... 2 TeeTee: I luv u girl. ALJabbar u've been a good friend continue to strive 4 success. 2 the members of the student council & track team, Mr. Mainor: thank 4 your support, I will miss u.2 all my teaches counselors, Mrs. Caldwell & Soriano: thanks 4 your help.2 Mom and Dad, Maea & Darold I luv u.

Henderson, Tenisha M.-Vocal ... Basketball, Track, Volleyball ... Student Council ... 2 my Nappi Town Peoples I luv ya'll K.I.T. and good luck.2 Hoochie-Hoo, luv u ... 2 my best friend Benenyeh stay chill baby girl. Thanks 2 my mommy and grandpa. Shout out 2 my Goddaughter & her mommy. 2 my heart Al-Jabbar: we've been through a lot but u'll always have a place in my

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Henry, Andrea-Drama ... Student Council, Yearbook, Youth Advisory ... Mad luv 2 my baby cousin Imami. Thanks 2 my family 4 all the luv & support. Especially my parents, who r the ones who molded me into the great person I am today ... Thanks 2 all my true friends u know who u r ... 2 my best friends Sheran, Alex, Kim, and Natasha: thanks 4 always being there 4 me. I luv ya!

Howell, Roger D.-Drama ... Track & Field ... Shout out 2 MOC,SBP,GAP,108,Double F,North & South,Mom and Pops,Rod,Rick & Al.2 my wife Erica whom I owe everything 2,I luv u ... "If u ain't never been 2 the ghetto, don't go 2 the ghetto. Cuase u wouldn't understand the ghetto so stay the o\*#! out of the ghetto!" Naughty 97

Jackson, Al-Jabbar-Vocal ... Poet Scoeity, Cross Country ... Shout out 2 Tee-Tee, my baby mother Chawntel, Como esta? my friend Ande, 2 my brother Ah-Med 1 luv, Shout out 2 N.T.P especially Dwane & Milik and 2 my luv NeNe, Joi, Alnisa, and Kim ... 2 the class of '97 good luck in your future endeavors. Peace I'm out! ... Yes!

Jerman, Shakell-Art ... Science Explorers Club ... 2 all my peeps: u will always be in my heart. Much luv 2 u all ... Life has it's ups and downs so stick with what u believe in and things will work out.

Johnson, Anthony F.-Vocal ...Yearbook, Scope, Student Council ... Shout out 2 my group F.A.S.T Inc., Hakeem & Ameer: Good luck in the future years ahead. 2 my cousin Alnisa: U r my true boo. I hope u and Qua have a very nice life together ... 2 the rest of the class of '97: it's been a great 4 years. I'll see u around ... 2 all my special friends of the class of '98: stay out of trouble and be good but not too good

because you're not all that.

Johnson, Tamisha S.-Dance
... Lydia, find a man. Milly stay
sweet. Jacey, u better cut it
out, remember how we met: it's
been grand. Adalis, now u don't
have 2 rush out at 2:30. Frouk,
Alterick, Sista & others thanks
4 being there in time of need.
Simeon, my luv, we have the
rest of our life 2gether. 2 the
dance dept. "turn out!" 2 all
those who dislike me, grow up!
Congratulations 97

Jones, Camilya J.-Instrumental ... 2 my closest friends: Shaa, Ubon & Chantel: It's been fun. Thanks 4 being there 4 me through the years. K.I.T. ... 2 Samil: U've been a inspiration as well as a best friend, I luv u! Shout out 2 the Mo Crew, Terri, Tanka, Ramadan, & Brian ... Thanks God 4 given me strength ... A special thanks 2 my mother & father 4 their luv and support.

Jones, Samilya J.-Instrumental ... 2 my twin, u know I got much luv 4 u ... 2 Bone, Lil'Chan,Nikki, Ubee, Lil'Shil, Katydid, Hesey: I will never 4 get ya. 2 Tunky, Yoshi, Byrdi, FeDogg, Andrea, Gavin, Sped, Al & Loser: Thanks 4 making school fun ... Sout out 2 Eric, luv u. Special thanks 2 God and 2 my family who have given me inspiration ... '97 I wish ya peace and prosperity.

Jones, Tynisha R.-Art ... Youth Advisory Club ... Antwon not only are u a friend but my boyfriend, I luv u 4 ever! ... I'd like 2 thank all my friends who helped me through the rough times. Much luv 2 my peoples in Nappi Town. Much luv 2 my mommy & my favorite juniors: Meika, Mikey & Rodie, Good luck!

Lee, Shanell-Vocal ... Year-book, Basketball ... Thanks 2 my favorite people who made my years at Arts fun: Salimah, Tunky Amina, Felicia, Steve, David, Antione, Alterick, Samdreya, Tahir, Daniella, Kenisha, and Aidah K.I.T and Good

Luck!

Leslie, Tara M.-Drama ... Cheerleader ... Special thanks 2 Khadecja, Terri, Nicky, and Meica 4 always being there when I needed ya most ... Thanks 2 my mother who is the light of my life. My sister, Perzina, and my boyfriend Rajohn 4 standing by my side threw some hardships that time has brought.

Manning, Alterick-Art ... Year-book ... 2 all my peeps who kept it real and made my senior year the best it could possibly be. Thanks! ... Mom dukes 4 everything you've done 4 me. I luv u!

Martinez, Jocelyn-Vocal ... Tri-M Music & Honor Society, Yearbook, Aspira and Softball ... 2 Misha, Lydia, Milly, and Beba Thanks 4 being there 4 me. Viv, Damaris and the guys at the table: I'll never 4get the good times. Hakeem R.M.A and K.I.T ... 2 my bestfriends Anita and Edwin: I love ya and stay real. Mrs. K, Aya, and Marie Thanks 4 ya luv, support and quidance. Class of '97 Good Luck! I'll never 4 get ya! ... I would like 2 give thanks to God and the Virgin Mary, Mami & Papi, "Gracias Y los Amo" 2 Cathy, Irma, and Papito: I luv ya! ... Underclassmen and others 2 come, enjoy your high school years and know who your true friends are. Corey you r talented but don't let that get 2 u, Good luck and K.I.T!

## SENIORS UP CLOSE

Martinez, Robert-Drama ... Aspra ... Baseball ... 2 Adrian, Chris, Larry, Florida, Ameer, and the girls at the table: Good luck and I'll miss ya. 2 the rest of the class of '97, I wish ya the best in the future. i will like to thank my Mom and Dad 4 looking out 4 me. My aunt for taking care of me & all my family that supported me. I luv ya.

Mayor, Adrian-Drama ... Aspira ... Baseball & Basketball ... Well, I guess I want to give a shout out to everyone in "97" and all of Arts High, & I'm seriously going to miss ya! Especially my peeps! Good luck in the future and never give up, get paid and hope you get!

McElroy, Khadeeja-Drama ... Science/Biology Club & LiteraryClub ... Tennis & Bowling ... 2 my best friend 4 life, thanks 4 being there in good times and in bad. @ class of 1997its been a very sometimes pleasant experience. Thanks 2 my mother who has been the joy and support of my life. 2my life long love Quabir, thanks 4 pushing me that extramile. If not 4 u or my loving mother I may not be where I stand today; a graduate of 97".

Mendez, Ciara-Art ... Student Council, Youth Crisis AdvisoryCouncil, & Assets Club ... 2 my best friend & sister Shareefa, I love u now and alwaysand thank u for being there 4 me. I'll miss you. Felicia thanks 4 the good times. I'll miss u girl. 2 my mom thank u 4 your love and support and I'll always luv u. Dad, even though we argue and fight, I still luv u. Sonia u are a great sister and a good friend. 2 all my people in Arts, especially the c/o 97, good luck and keep it real

Mendez, Vivian-Instumental ... Aspira & Fashion Commitee ... First of all I want to thank God and the virgin Mary 4 giving me strength & great parents. Thanks; I luv u! A special thanks 2 my closest friend Damaris. U truly r a great friend, 2 the 5th and 6thperiod tables, luv ya! 2 allmy other friends, luv u 2!C/o 97, keep it real! 2 the C/O 97 & classes 2 come, learnfrom y'r mistakes, strive 4 the best and above all, follow your dreams and u will truly be happy.

Moore, Terri Aiyasha-Drama ... Yearbook ... Shout out 2 all of my off the hook friends. My boy Raheem, my God-child's mother Rhea, my drama class& my crew. Tarra, Camilya, Deneen, Samilya, Shara, Chantel, & Ubon. Special thanks 2 the people who created me. God, my mother and my father. Also 2 my family, thanks 4 being there 4 me.

Morris, Girard-Art ... Basketball ... Good luck Byrdie, Eduece, Bass, Ram, Gav, & my lil' Gee Bear Eastwood. Take it down neck.

Moses, Aliah-Vocal ... 2 Hakeem, Amin, & everyone who stayed a true friend thanks. 2 my mom and family I luv u! Congratulations 2 the c/o 97. I wish happiness to everyone 4 the future.

Moss, Chevalier-Music ... Thanks 4 being there (u know who u r) good luck in the future. I'd like 2 give a shout out 2 the c/o 97 keep it real for the 97 good luck in the future and always keep your head up.

Muhammad, Aidah Nuha-Music ... I would like 2 give a big shot out 2 the c/o 97. Good luck in the future. I will miss all of u, especially my good, true friends. I want 2 also give a special shot out 2 my girl Meekee(Tamika Bradley). Do good Senior year! I will miss u!! 4get me not.

Ortiz, Ameer-Music ... Aspira, Male choir ... Baseball ... I will like 2 give thanks 2 Fast inc., Hak, Anthony, & all the people who helped me alongthe way. I hopethe students of the future

take advantageof what they got here at Arts and don't let other peopleget 2 u.

Ortiz, Milagros-Instumental ... Aspira ... Softball ... We finally made it!!! I'm thankful 2 God, Mami, Papi, Manolo, & the rest of my family and friends 4 your support. Much luv 2 the c/o 97. Special thanks 2 Aimee, Jocie, Sunny, Lydia, Beba, Mishahead, Vivian, Damaris, & Chuck. "Come with me to the Basketball game? ... PapiChulo!! ... Where? Where?? ... "

Penn, William-Art ... Yearbook, National Honor Society, & ArtHonor Society ... Indoor & Outdoor track ... 2 my Nappi Town Crew, Malik, Dwane, Antone, Al-Jabbar, much luv! And the Nappiets, Taz, Yolanda, Tynisha, Alnisa, Bennyeh, Latrice. 2 all my friends at dearold Arts, it was a mememoral4 years. Last but not least, baby I will always luv u 4 the rest of my life. Even if we can't be 2gether 4ever, uwill always be the 1 4 me, &I'll never 4get the way u loved me. I love u always "Latrice."

Peterson, Hakeem Alexander-Music ... Baseball ... 2 Anthony & Amerr thanks 4 being true friends & 4 keeping it real with me. 2 Jocelyn "La Plena" was fun, and thanks 4 making a dream come true. "Me gusto bailar contigo." 2 the c/o 97, we all traveled different roads 2 get 2 where we r, 4 some it was easy & 4 others it was hard. Nevertheless, we all made it. Congratulations c/o 97.

Pierre, Willy-Art ... Peace 2 all my true peeps that was with me through the years and my boy, Al, who kept it real..I learned many things in this school, not really in the books but about life, and eventhough I didn't take this school seriously I hung in there 2 the end. Many people will remember me as "Cool Will"but 2 those who knew me, knewme as a friend. Pinkney, Iris-Drama ... Volley-

ball & tennis ... Good luck 2 the class of 97. Madd luv 4 Chantel, Camil, Samil, and Shara. K. I. T ... Peace out!!! ... Thanks 2 my Mom, family, teachers, and faculty 4 being there. Ya was the key 2 my success.

Porter, Tashaya-Drama ... Yearbook & Fashion Commitee ... Saying 2 special friends: "What do u want, What r u looking at?" ... 2 all the people who were true friends 2 me, u'll be missed.

Price, Sanura-Vocal ... FashionCommitee ... 2 Jameica, Aliah, and Kadeeja "Hey ho-!"I would like 2 thank my mother 4 being their 4 me. I would like to wish the c/o 97 luck in the future & also the underclassmen.

Ram, Larry-Drama ... Saying 2 special friends: "We won't get caught." "This is the last time." No more ... Good luck 2 the c/o 97. I hope everyone gets what they want in life. I'll miss y'all.

Reeves, Pbedor-Drama ... Student Council, Literary Program, & Share Program ... 2 all of those people that stayed true 2 the end as my friend and/or confident. Treat the rest of your life as if it were a cassette player. Keep it moving forward never rewind ... Its been an experience here at Arts.

Reyes, Luis-Art ... Baseball & Basketball ... Keep ya head up& shout out to all; 97, 98, 99, 00.

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Rivas, Damaris-Drama ... Aspira ... 1st I would like to thank God. Mami y Papi :Gracias por creer en mi y por su apoyo, I luv u. To my family, my baby Braulio "Thanks for being there for me I luv u." 2Viv. for giving me strength through d hard x's in Arts, and finally 2 my Latino crew, I wish u d best of luck inu'r future. C/o 97, this is just d beginning of our never ending road, we still have a lot 2 go, but remember always that success will come 2 us if we welcome new challenges.

Robinson, Brian-Art ... Basketball & Track ... "Now do I luv dem ho — !"I want to give a shot out 2 all the boyz & females. Thanks to my boy Skip, Geez, Tyree, & G-Escobar, & a special thanks 2 my parents Mayme & Clinton Robinson.

Robinson, Farouk-Instrumental ... Video ... Track ... "Lamar" I luv ya', even though I know sometimes we get on each others nerves, but we always looked out 4 each other. "Though we all make mistakes in the course of our lives & at times in life u may come 2 a point where u feel like giving up but always remember that God is always with u no matter what!" Lil. T., Big Al, King, Finesser/Syko, & EdLova' "I'll miss ya' & I'll never 4get ya'. God bless."

Robinson, Nykeama-Drama ... Everything, no matter how big or small can be accomplished with a little hard work. Saying to special friends: "Come on now! U know you're my boy, Anthony. Don't even do it to yourself. We cool peeps."

Sanders, Yolanda-Vocal ... Youth Advisory Council ... Cheerleader ... First off I want 2 thank God 4 keeping me in his care. 2nd I want 2 give mad luv 2 N. T. P. I'm gonna miss ya'll. 2 the c/o 97 I'll never 4get ya'll & good luck in the future. I

want 2 say 2 my mom & 2 the rest of my family I luv u & thanks 4 everything! Special Saying 2 friends: 2 Buddah never 4get summer school!!! 2 Taz Hoochie Hoo .... & luv ya'll.

Scott, Danielle M. -Art ... Art Honor Society & Poet's Society ... Volleyball (captain) ... Paul thank u 4 being my best friend through the 4 years & helping me out. 2 the underclassmen don't allow others 2 discourage u from your own personal attitude or your own style. People don't understand or won't understand different. U are yourself.

Singletary, Daniaella-Vocal ... I would like 2 give a shout out 2 all my friends (you know who u are). 2 my best friends, Aidah, Kenisha, & Tamikah Bradley, thank u 4 being there when I needed you most, I will never 4get u. I would like 2 thank my mother, father, & all of my sisters 4 helping me get through my 4 years of school. I'll always luv u.

**Skipper, Edward Michael**-Art ... Basketball ... Saying 2 special friends: "What's so funny?" Be the best u can be in everything & stay black!!!

Stephen, Rhea-Drama ... A special shout out goes 2 Wayne & my baby. I luv u. Shout out 2 Terri & c/o 97. We outta here! I would like 2 thank all my teachers from Freshmen 2 Senior year. I would really like 2 thank my mother 4 motivating me. Mummy u pushed me up when I was falling down & stood by my side every step of the way. Wayne thank u 4 helping me throughout my rough times.

Stevenson, Antwon T. -Art ... Track ... Saying 2 special friends: "Best friends are 4ever!" Be yourself a & don't let others influence u.

Stewart, Atiya-Drama ... Allied Health Careers & Student Council ... 2 Jameica, thank u 4 always being there 4 me. I hope u reach all your goals. 2 Rhea take care of yourself & your new baby. Always remember: U can overcome any obstacles & reach all your goals. K. I. T. I would like 2 thank a few people who always pushed me to succeed. I am 4ever grateful 2 u: My mom, Ms. Brazell, & Ms. Brock.

Tribble, Miranda-Vocal ... 2 my friends thanks 4 being there u know who u are. I'm just gald I got this far & when I graduate, I'll remember everybody and everything that I did in Arts.

Tudor, Simeon-Art ... Tamisha I luv u & I'll always luv u. 2 my true life partners Brian Hunte, Big Al, Verse, Tahir, & Riggs I wish the best 4 ya'll. Much luv 2 my mother, sister, & grandmother. C/o 97 I'm out. 2 those bustas of '98 they know who I'm talking about, you'll become older someday. As 4 me, I'm going to take this knowledge I was taught through the years & apply it, 2 my soon to be wife Misha & our future family.

Tutler, Jameica-Drama ... Treasurer of the Senior Class ... Tennis ... 2 Khadeeja, Sanura, & Aliah thanks 4 being there. Remember me always. 2 all my other friends K. I. T. !! I'll like 2 give special thanks 2 my mother, grandmother, & aunt because without u I wouldn't be where I am today.

Vidaurre, Christopher-Art ... Shout 2 all my friend in c/o 97.

Walker, Steven L. -Instumental ... 2 Ahmed, Andel, Denard, &Geoffrey keep on doing what u are doing & maybe in the future we can finish what we started. 2 my Lord and Savior Jesus Christ thank u 4 getting me through these 4 years. Thanks 2 my mom & dad I'm going 2 make u proud of me. And most of all, 2 my girl Tiffany Gibbson, the luv of my

life. I luv u.

Warren, David-Instumental ... Yearbook ... A. C. T. Theatre ... I like 2 give a shout out 2 the crazies: Tunky, Boobs, Amina Skip, Byrdie, Ram, Mookie B. Shanell 5, Sunny, Gav, & Smurf. Peace 2 the class of 97 & 98. Special thanks 2 Chuck Dr. Smith & Denise 4 all ya advice and humors. Special thanks 2 my family 4 all ya luv & support.

Windham, Kenisha V. -Voca ... 2 Aidah, Daniaella, & Pbedor, good luck in whatever u plan on doing after graduation. Never forget me!! Beacuse u won't be 4gotten! 2 my girl Tamika Bradley: Good luck in your senior year. Do good so that u will be able 2 go 2 Westminister. Don;t 4 get me cause u won't be 4 gotten!

Witherspoon, Chantel R. Instrumental ... Much luv 2 Samil, Camil, Shara and Iris: can trulyb say that ya'll r true friends. Shout out 2:Ubon, Tashaya, Terri, Tara, Rhea, Tunk, Tyree, Ramadan, Brian, skip, Girard, Gavin, and the rest of '97. Iwould like 2 thank God and every body who encouraged me 2 stay in school. 2 my mother who was there 4 me when I needed advice, Thank u I luv u!

Xayphengsy, Ubon-Instrumental ... Class President, Honor Society, Tennis, Softball ... Shara, twins, Chantel, Khadeeja, Jameica, and Vivian: I'll miss ya. Will, Dwane, Al, and Malik:Don't 4 get me because I'll never 4 get ya. I'll always be here if u need me. Khalid: u're always in my heart. Special shout out 2 Sheree ... 2 my family, I luv ya. 2 the class of 97: Good luck & may u come across success & happiness.

# Seniors Candidly Candid

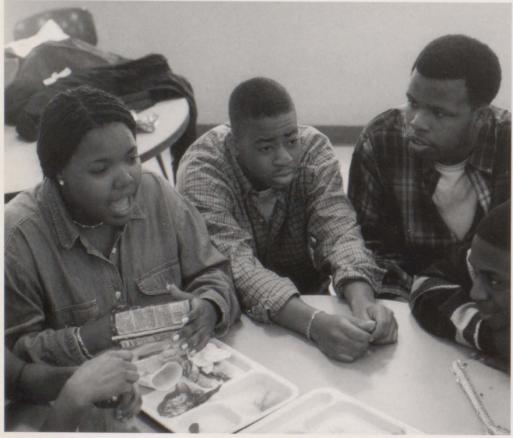


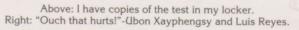
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"What's this on my shoe"









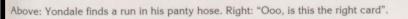




Left: Simeon Tudor and Lamar Blaine play with a puppet during pajamma day. Right: Peace - "Why can't we all get along".









## Memories













Top Left:Shakell Jerman Top Right:Al-Jabbar Jackson, Iris Pinkney, Atiya Stewart, Paul Migaj, Tenisha Henderson, Tashaya Porter. Middle Left: Girard Morris, Marijoe Ashikwei, Stanley Hannah. Middle: Vivian Milgaros. Middle Right: Atiya Stewart, Nykesma Robinson, Danielle Scott. Bottom Left: Ciara Mendez, Dwane Harris, Andrea Henry, Tynisha Jones. Bottom Right: Al-Jabbar Jackson.













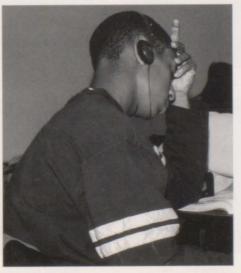












Top Left: Robert Martinez. Top Middle: Andrea Henry and Denise. Top Right: Ubon Xayphengsy. Upper Middle: Joao Cunha Upper Middle Right: Jocelyn Martinez, Tamisha Johnson, Antwon Stevenson. Middle Left: Tynisha Jones and Nykeama Robinson. Middle: Alnisa Davis Middle Right: Deneen Frazier and Jamieca Tutler. Bottom Left:Anthony Johnson, Hernani Caravalho and Shanell Lee. Bottom Right:Brian Robinson.

#### All Eyes On Us

# It seems like only yesterday when you started school Here's to our graduate!



Alnisa Davis



Tarra Lesile



Deneen Frazier



Michael Green



Marijoe Ashikwei



Yolanda Douglas



Brian Robinson



Simeon Tudor



Jameica Tutler



Edward Skipper



Shakera Copeland



William Penn



Antwon Stevenson



Sharell Jerman



Steven Walker



Aidah Muhammad



Amina Anabui



Shannon Hansford



Samilya Jones



Camilya Jones



Anthony Johnson



Hernani Caravalho



David Warren



Ciara Mendez



Aliah Moses

### All Eyes On Us

#### It seems like only yesterday when you started school Here are some of our first photos



Girard Morris



Milagros Ortiz



Damaris Rivas



Chantel Witherspoon



Ramadan Edwards



Danielle Scott



Eddie Gonzalez



Adrian Mayor



Rhea Stephen



Tenisha Henderson



Vivian Mendez



Khadeeja McElroy



Jocelyn Martinez



Stanley Hannah



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Iris Pinkney



Felicia Burroughs



Gavin Douglas



Tamisha Johnson



Tynisha Jones



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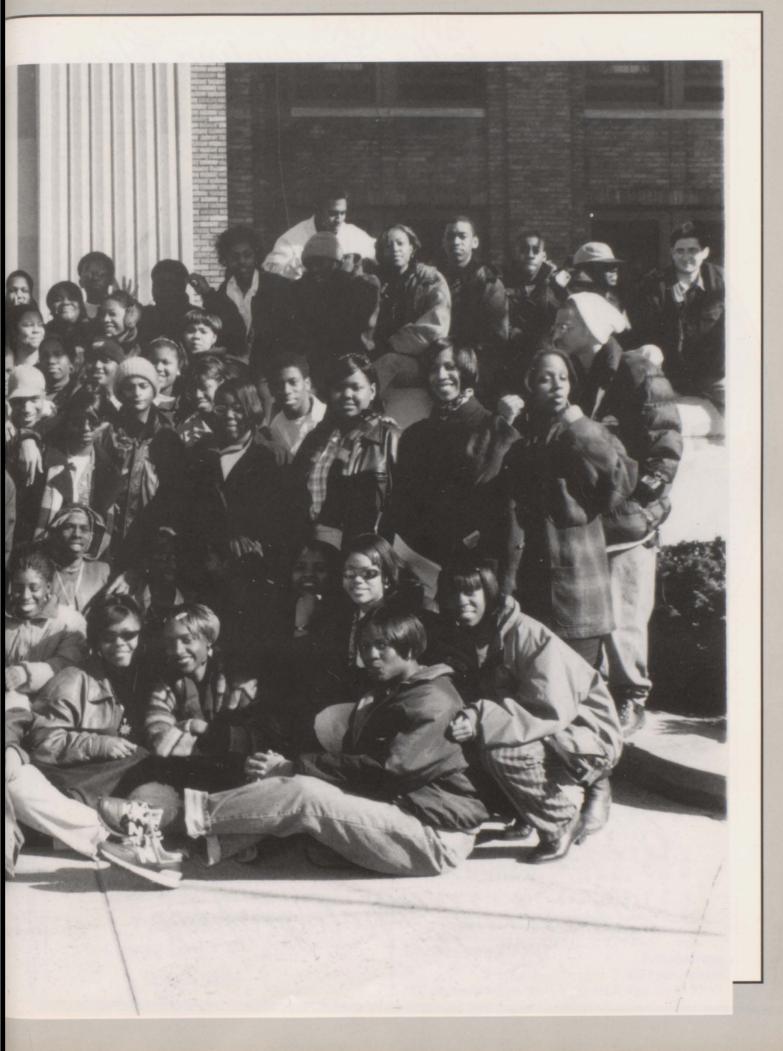


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#### Messages to Seniors

Love and Luck from the "G" man, to my neice Jamical Tenisha Congratulations! Best of luck at Monclair! Keep up the good work. Congratulations from Grandma and Grandpa, we love

you. Good luck in your future. STINKER. Congratulations! I'm proud of you – but you already know this. Always strive to be the best.
Love, your Dad - Andre
Ramadan Edwards "No mountain is too high if you climb

with care and confidence." We got your back. Good luck, your cousin, Robin

Thank you for paving the way for us. Good Luck! May Allah Bless you. Love, your cousins, Imani & Jamal Salaam

Ramadan, you make me proud to be your aunt. May Allah bless and watch over you Love, Aunt Shakirah and Family Best of luck to Ramadan Edwards. May all your dreams come true. Love, Uncle Brad, Aunt Naomi & Angela To Ramadan, keep striving to reach the top but never

forget what you're leaving behind. Stay stong and positive. Love, Aunt Deshawn
You Made It! We had no doubts, continue on, your younger brothers are watching! Love, Naim and Yusef To Ramandan, Good luck and much success.

Love, your Aunts and Uncles
Ramadan. Good luckl Good wishes and good times at NC
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Knowledge is the greatest gift to have that can never be taken from you. Good luck, Ramandan Edwards.

Love, your cousin, Penny Amirah To Ramandan, the day you came home from the hospital, we knew you had great potential, so go, do, and achieve. Love, Grandpa and Grandma

In the spirit of the Million Man March, Ramandan, you carry the keys to success (knowledge, self-respect and determination). James "Infinite" means having no boundaries or limits - set your

goals on this definition and success will be yours. CA, Prudential

Best of Luck, Hernani - Madina Chicken & Pizza, 1126 Broad Street, Newark, NJ 07114 (201)642-6001

#### To My son, Ramadan

The time has come, for you my son to begin your solo quest. You can be sure, that Mom knows you'll do your very best. The road ahead may be rough from time to time. But stay on your path, and you will see it's worth it down the line.

Work hard and have some fun as you search an entail.

Keep God by your side and in nothing you shall fail

We'll miss your laugh, your appetite, and oh, those big feet.

But you'll be back here and there, we'll save your favorite seat.

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to get a guy like you. So lead the way, and make me proud as you do what you do.

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